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The programme comprises 44 ships of which eleven of 9,000 tons will be allocated to the Far Eastern trade.

The last will be delivered in 1941. All will be built largely by Government subsidy and most will enjoy an operating subsidy.

The Italian naval authorities have approved the plans for every ship, which include an emplacement for a 6-inch gun both fore and aft. — Reuter.

CONDOR WRECK TO BE SHIPPED TO GERMANY

Manila, To-day.

The German Focke Wulf "Condor" type airplane which had to make a forced landing in Manila Bay yesterday morning and sank, will be taken to pieces after salvage and reshipped to Germany.

This statement was made by Dr. Junge, director of the Focke Wulf Works, who was on board the plane.

According to Director Junge there is no doubt that the machine can be salvaged.

It lies in shallow water near the coast, and at low tide it should be easy to haul the machine ashore.

After being rescued by native fisherboats near Cavite, Junge and the remaining crew were brought to Manila in a lifeboat. They will stay in Manila as guest of the German Consul till they continue the journey to Germany by ship. — Trans-Ocean.

In Dock

Paris, To-day.

Shouting "I am a martyr. Heaven knows how I am suffering," Mme. Skobline, central figure in the famous Soviet abduction case, collapsed over the rail of the dock after a barrage of questions about the whereabouts of Gen. Miller, White Russian exile in Paris who mysteriously disappeared last year.

Asked whether Gen. Miller was alive or dead, Mme. Skobline turned to Mme. Miller, who was sitting sad-eyed in the well of the court, and exclaimed emotionally: "I swear I know nothing about your husband."

Mme. Skobline related how she rose from a humble peasant girl in the Ukraine and became one of the most famous opera singers in pre-War Russia.

MILLER MURDERED?

Feature of the day's proceedings was the series of witnesses alleging that the Soviet Embassy in Paris used a private house at Auteuil to kidnap Gen. Miller with the aid of Gen. Skobline, who acted as his right-hand man, and his wife.

It was alleged that Gen. Miller was murdered and his body put on board a Russian ship at Le Havre. — Reuter.

JAPANESE ADMIT FAILURE OF CHANGSHA DRIVE

Shanghai, To-day.

Regarding the slowness of the Japanese advance on Changsha, which was originally believed would be taken within a few days after Yochow's fall, the Japanese military spokesman admitted that the Chinese forces offered unexpectedly strong resistance, especially in the area around Pingtang, about half-way between Tungsheng and Changsha, seventy kilometres north of the latter. — Trans-Ocean.

NEW GRAND MASTER IN ENGLISH FREEMASONRY

London, To-day.

The Duke of Connaught is resigning his long-standing leadership of British Freemasonry early next year, and will be succeeded by the Duke of Kent.

A letter conveying his resignation as Grand Master was read yesterday at the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons, when the Duke of Kent was nominated for succession.

It is understood that a similar letter will be read at the forthcoming meeting of the United Grand Lodge of England, and the proposal that the Duke of Kent succeed will be again proposed. — Reuter.

INTERESTING REVELATION

Shanghai, To-day.

According to the Japanese Embassy there are now 38,000 Japanese registered in the Japan controlled area of the International Settlement north of Soochow Creek in Shanghai, while 10,000 Chinese

families have returned to this area and to other former Chinese districts of Chapei, adjoining the International settlement.

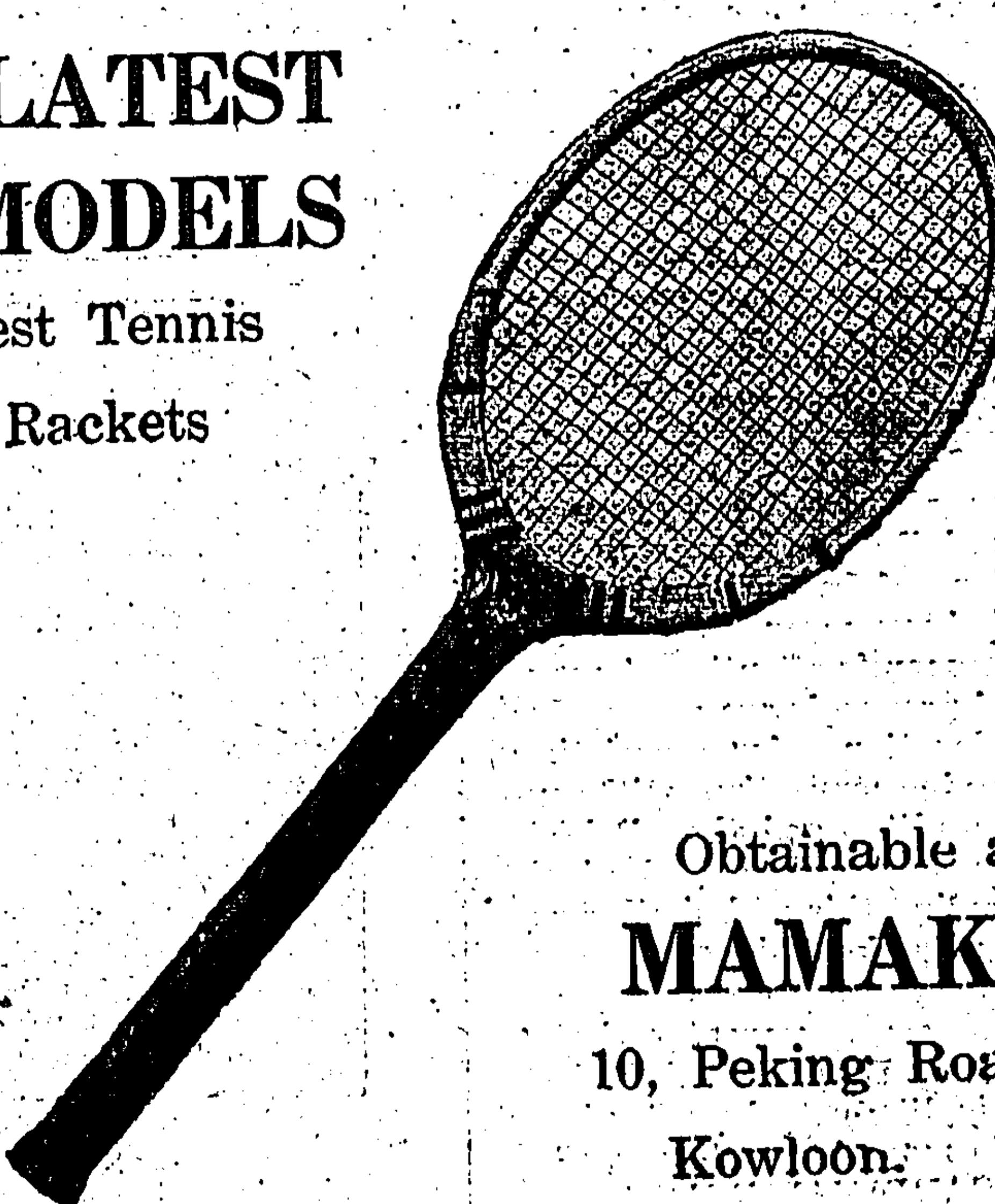
Previous to the hostilities about 500,000 Chinese lived in this area. — Trans-Ocean.

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NATIONAL GOVERNMENT WORM TURNING?

Lord Strabolgi's Comment On Far East Policy

Lord Plymouth Indicates Firmer Attitude

London, To-day.

"Pronouncements have recently been made in Tokyo regarding the formation of an economic and political bloc, comprising Japan, Manchukuo and China, in which Japan would be the predominant partner.

"I wish to say categorically that the British Government cannot possibly subscribe to this attitude. Thus declared Lord Plymouth in the House of Lords debate initiated by Lord Elibank last night.

"The position is governed by the Washington Treaty and by other international agreements to which the British Government were, in conjunction with a large number of other Governments, parties.

TREATY UNDERTAKING

"Particularly, I would like to recall that the parties of the Nine-Power Treaty bound themselves to respect the sovereignty, independence, and the territorial administrative integrity of China and to provide the fullest opportunity for China to develop a stable Government, to maintain the open door and to refrain from taking advantage of conditions in China to obtain special rights and privileges infringing on the rights of subjects of the respective States.

"The British Government could not consider an alteration brought about by unilateral action and our stand is the same as that of the United States as laid down in a statement to the press on November 11.

"This statement would serve equally to define the attitude of the British Government and, I think, it necessary to emphasise the consequences which would result from the Japanese exclusive policy.

INCALCULABLE REPERCUSSIONS

"The Japanese Government must realise that such a policy would inevitably have incalculable repercussions in other parts of the world, the consequences of which would be impossible to limit. Therefore, we trust that they will agree that the interests of both Governments lie in other directions. I fully admit the position is unsatisfactory, and it is so, for reasons only too present in the minds of your lordships.

"The Government is prepared to consider all possible measures to safeguard British interests.

"None of Lord Elibank's proposals have escaped the British Government's attention. A number of proposals are now under consideration for assisting China in connection with export credits and the British Government will sympathetically examine this and similar requests by the Chinese Government.

"Unless some guarantee that action such as Lord Elibank had suggested, is likely to be effective, it would do more harm than good.

CARDINAL POINT

"The British Government will continue to treat the protection of

British interests as one of the cardinal points of their policy in the Far East, and they consider that this end can best be achieved by an early and equitable settlement of the Sino-Japanese conflict, just to both and taking into account the interests of third parties."

The British Government had indicated to the Japanese and the Chinese that they were ready to use their good offices, and will not hesitate to take all the necessary steps as soon as the moment appears appropriate. "I must admit, however, that there is no present indication that the moment is close at hand.

"WORM TURNED"

Lord Strabolgi said that Lord Plymouth had made the most satisfactory statement they had had from the Government bench for years.

"It looks as if the National Government worm has at last turned." (laughter).

If the grant of export credits to China were done on a sufficiently generous scale, it would really take the form of a commercial loan to China.

Lord Plymouth: "I did not quite say that. What I said was that we were examining certain proposals regarding export credits and were prepared to sympathetically consider those and any others with that object in view."

EXPORT CREDITS

Lord Strabolgi, continuing, said that export credits granted on long-term agreement would enable

the Chinese to import from Britain and make up for some of the falling off in exports from Britain, and "I would ask Lord Plymouth if we are simultaneously examining the question of discouraging the supply of credits and war material to Japan."

"I am not suggesting a Government boycott, but there are ways and means open to the Government to bring pressure on those who are supplying Japan with credits and war material to desist therefrom.

"I fail to understand why, if we collaborate with France and the United States, other signatories of the Nine-Power Treaty are not called into collaboration.

Lord Strabolgi said that at the time of the Nine-Power Treaty, Germany and Russia were off the diplomatic map and he suggested that a new Washington Conference was due with the original signatories plus Germany and Russia.

GERMAN OPPORTUNITY

Referring to Munich, he said that Germany had received many benefits and it was now our turn to ask something in exchange.

The policy of achievement would be a two-way policy. The appeasement we most value is anything that will help our trade. We are a trading nation, so is Germany.

In China, our interests as merchants are absolutely identical. The Anti-Comintern Pact, the Rome-Berlin-Tokyo Triangle and other similar fantasies will pass. What will remain are mutual interests as trading nations. Those interests are threatened.

Is not the time ripe to ask Germany for appeasement on those lines? Why should we not ask the Germans to join us and other Nine-Power signatories and Russia to make joint representations for the maintenance of the open-door?

That would do more than anything else to get rid of what Mr. Pirow has called the psychology of war and would create a revolution in men's minds which would certainly have an effect on Japan.

STEP WELCOMED

Lord Elibank, using the right to speak a second time, welcomed the Government's definite step to take a stand in the Far East and thought that Lord Plymouth's remarks with regard to the Nine-Power Treaty as a definite step forward. — Reuter.

MR. PIROW'S PESSIMISM NOT WHOLLY SHARED

London, To-day.

The pessimistic tone of the South-African Defence Minister Oswald Pirow's declaration concerning the European situation is not shared by the morning papers although they give considerable prominence to his statements.

Mr. Pirow's belief that war in Europe is unavoidable is rejected by the majority of the papers, while Government circles refuse to commit themselves merely stating that as a Minister of a British Dominion, Mr. Pirow has the privilege of free expression of opinion.

The "Daily Mail" emphasises that war is never inevitable and the events of last September have proved this definitely. The European powers do not need Mr. Pirow's warning.

NON-CONSTRUCTIVE

Regarding the Minister's comment on the refugee problem, the political correspondent of the "Daily Mail" declares that London Parliamentary circles expected him to bring this into a direct relationship with the colonial question and following his failure to do so his denunciatory but non-constructive remarks have occasioned apprehension rather than a relief.

Writing similarly the "Daily Telegraph" expresses the view that Mr. Pirow's picture of Europe's future is painted in too sombre colours.—Trans-Ocean.

PRINCE PAUL LEAVES

London, To-day.

Prince Regent Paul of Yugoslavia left England yesterday on his return trip to Belgrade.

Princess Olga has remained in England to visit her sons, Princes Alexander and Nicholas who are attending an English boys school.—Trans-Ocean.



A new series of photographs of Deanna Durbin, the popular young cinema star, who is appearing shortly at the Queen's Theatre in "That Certain Age," has been taken. Above are three of the series, the remainder of which will be published in the "China Mail." Deanna Durbin fans can obtain hand-some copies of the original in postcard size free of charge by applying to the editorial department of the "China Mail."

LORD ELIBANK DEMANDS ACTION

South China Invasion Aimed At Hong Kong

London, To-day.

In the House of Lords yesterday, Lord Elibank, elaborating on an enquiry as to what the Government was doing to protect England's trade in China, in view of the fact that British trade interests were daily worsening, said he regretted that Lord Halifax was unable to be present owing to his departure on a well earned holiday.

He referred to the conditions ruling at Tsingtao, Tientsin, Shanghai, the Yangtze River, Hankow and throughout North China. He said the conditions operating against British trade and shipping were due to Japanese action in the shape of prohibitions and preferential duties, the commandeering of public utilities and Japanese trade monopolies.

The fact is, said Lord Elibank, that the Japanese are leaving no stone unturned in order to upset British trade and to bolster up their own failing economic system.

One of the principal reasons for the capture of Canton was that it created the gravest danger to Hong Kong trade.

Lord Elibank wanted to know what the Government proposed to do to carry out Lord Halifax's statement of July 27, and said that if Japan's action was in order to defend their interests, we had the same right as regards our interests.

Nobody in Britain had any idea of retaliation through military measures, but there were many who believed that if we retaliated in an economic sense, we could make some impression on Japan.

Lord Elibank said he had previously suggested the denunciation of the Anglo-Japanese Trade Agreement, of 1911, with regard to Japanese trading in the Colonies. A second way would be to close Hong Kong to all Japanese ships and cargo between Japan and South China, and thus effectively cause a block to Japanese trade with Canton.

GOLD LOSSES

Another way was by the closure of all Indian and Straits Settlements ports to Japanese coastal shipping.

Yet another way was with regard to Japan's desperate need of foreign exchange and credits.

"I am credibly informed that Japan's gold reserves are down to £30,000,000 and that their gold production has reached a low level of £12,000,000 per annum.

"I venture to urge that as Japan won't listen to reason, the time has come definitely to take special economic steps to enforce our viewpoint, to avoid being driven out of this trading field altogether."

Lord Elibank said there was very little doubt that there was an entire change of outlook in Japan today towards China and her trading problems. According to the statement in Tokyo on December 1, which mentioned a "new order in East Asia," foreign interests and foreign trade would play a very small part in the future economic situation in China.

SHANGHAI DEMAND

Lord Elibank referred to the recent meeting in Shanghai of representatives of the foreign Chambers of Commerce, and the identical representations each Chamber had made to its Government regarding resisting Japanese trade aggression in China.

"To such an extent do they feel that action is necessary that, although they know that any retaliatory action might seriously inconvenience them, they are prepared to face up to those inconveniences for the future of foreign trade in China."

Another aspect which was not usually noticed sufficiently, was the attitude of China towards Britain.

CHINA'S ATTITUDE

Lord Elibank said, "I have reason to believe that strong feelings are being engendered in China against Britain, owing to the fact that we have done nothing whatever to assist them in their extremity." China is beginning to regard this attitude as, at least, unfriendly.

I venture to believe that if the Chinese were successful in this war, from all I have heard, they would be just as upsetting to British trade as the Japanese are being at present. I wish to urge that something must be done to help China in her real trouble."

Lord Elibank also referred to the Anglo-American trade agreement and said that many see behind this agreement a question of closer collaboration between them. If this were so, he suggested that the special occasion has arisen, and both countries could possibly take concerted action in China.

Lord Elibank concluded by urging the Government to take some action in this awful case, of which the vital importance did not seem to be fully recognised in every direction, and to take a retaliatory action before it was too late.

WISER TO WAIT

Lord Barnby was of the opinion that it would be wiser to wait until we were further along the road of what was going to take place, before we doubted Japan's repeated assertions that she had no ambi-

tions towards territorial aggrandisement in South China.

It was natural that there should be continual representations in Japan that Britain had given China active help and that these had caused natural misgivings and suspicions, however, unfounded they were.

Surely there had been frequent enough statements by responsible Japanese statesmen which coincided with the fact that Japan's main desire was to assure a stabilised government in China, and to make sure it was free from communistic influence and anti-Japanese activities.

He did not wish to give the impression that he had any lack of sympathy with China. There was a moment in any debate when there should be strict impartiality, giving encouragement to neither side.

THE GREAT ILLUSION

With regard to the suggestion that Japan wanted to exclude all foreign interests in China when the reconstruction took place, he thought we should look at it from the angle of practical common sense. He asked if it were possible to see China reconstructed by China itself, or by China and Japan together to the exclusion of

PRESIDENT TAKES ACTIVE INTEREST

Washington, To-day.

President Roosevelt, who has returned from a holiday in the warm springs of Georgia, immediately summoned Mr. Sumner Welles and also the Ambassadors of Italy, Germany, and France for what was described as a general discussion and exchange of views on the international situation.—Reuter.

all other foreigners.

Commonsense showed that there was a need of foreign assistance and obviously the assistance most sought for would be Britain's. He suggested collaboration with the United States, which had subsidiary interests and patience in dealing with the subject. "We wish above all to avoid producing a situation which is going to make settlement much more difficult.

SINGAPORE CENSORSHIP

London, To-day.

The Singapore censors have excised from a Paramount newsreel, reference to Germany's Anti-Jewish drive and also an appeal by Baron Rothschild.—Reuter.



ANOTHER TOOTH IN BRITAIN'S NAVY. This picture, taken at Portsmouth, is the first to be taken of the new aircraft carrier H.M.S. "Ark Royal", the latest addition to the Navy. Photo shows a striking angle shot alongside the vast new "Ark Royal." In background is H.M.S. Rodney, behind which is H.M.S. Royal Oak. (Picture passed by Admiralty: Copyright).

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NEW RECORD

Copenhagen, To-day.
The German swimmer Joachim Blake established a new world's record for five hundred metres breast-stroke swimming, which distance he accomplished in 7 minutes 23.3 seconds in Aarhus last evening.
The former record of 7 minutes 23.8 seconds was held by the American swimmer Kaye — Trans-Ocean.

UNSATISFACTORY RESULT OF BRITISH PROTESTS

London, To-day.

Lord Plymouth, in the course of a reply to Lord Elibank in the House of Lords last night, said, "Lord Elibank has asked what the results of previous deliberations have been and has alluded to certain matters in respect of which he maintains, I think perfectly rightly, that British interests are receiving unfair treatment at the hands of the Japanese Government."

"I regret I am unable to report satisfactory progress, but I should like to inform the House of the position with regard to these matters."

"Firstly, the position at Tsingtao is still most unsatisfactory. Restrictions imposed on shipping there constitutes, in the eyes of the British Government, deliberate discrimination against British interests, and they consider there is no valid reason whatever why British shipping should not be admitted to the inner harbour."

"Repeated representations have been made to the Japanese Naval and Civil authorities, as well as the Japanese Government, and the British Government trusts before long to obtain fairer treatment for our ships. In the meanwhile, I can assure the House that we shall continue to press vigorously in this connection."

YANGTSE NAVIGATION

With regard to navigation of the Yangtse, Lord Plymouth continued, here again I regret to say the Japanese are continuing restrictions on British shipping in common with the shipping of other countries, and British subjects and goods on the river. The excuses they continue to give are military necessity.

On November 7, the Governments of the United States, France and Britain made parallel representations to the Japanese Government in which they drew attention to the fact that a steadily-increasing regular trade was being developed by Japanese vessels on the Yangtse.

JAPANESE DENIAL

The Japanese reply was a denial of the fact that such a trade actually existed. The British Ambassador has produced further evidence to support our contention which has been brought to the attention of the Japanese Govern-

ment, and I can only say, in view of repeated undertakings by the Japanese Government, that restrictions would be removed as soon as military operations against Hankow had been concluded, that we should be able to expect an early improvement in the situation."

TIENTSIN EMBARGOES

With regard to Tientsin and North China, it is quite true that some time ago an embargo was placed on the export of hides from North China.

Last July and August, important categories were withdrawn from the scope of the embargo as the result of representations from the British Government and other Governments.

Recently a further embargo was imposed on wool and hemp from Tientsin.

The British Government, with the German and United States Governments, protested in this connection. No settlement was reached, but a monopoly association which was formed for the control and internal sale of wool in China, has been dissolved.

With regard to the discriminatory tax on tobacco, we have received no information.

SLIGHT PROGRESS

In reply to a question, Lord Plymouth promised to inquire into the matter, and continuing, recalled Lord Elibank's reference to "the most unsatisfactory position of the international Settlement."

He said that slight progress had been made in the direction of additional permits for factories to be opened, and for Chinese workmen to return to work, but progress had been very small and we were continuing to press the matter as strongly as possible.—Reuter.

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Japanese Firms To Handle British Trade?

London, To-day.

Replying to Mr. A. J. Barnes (Lab.) in the Commons, Mr. R. A. Butler said that the Foreign Secretary had no complete record of ascertained British losses in China caused by the Sino-Japanese war but the total figures for claims on the Chinese and Japanese Governments actually presented to date approximated £230,000.

He added that the figure which he gave in a reply on April 6 last was based largely on estimates which, owing to the fall in exchange, subsequently proved excessive.

LITHUANIAN SHOT DEAD FOR DEFYING NAZIS

Kaunase, To-day.

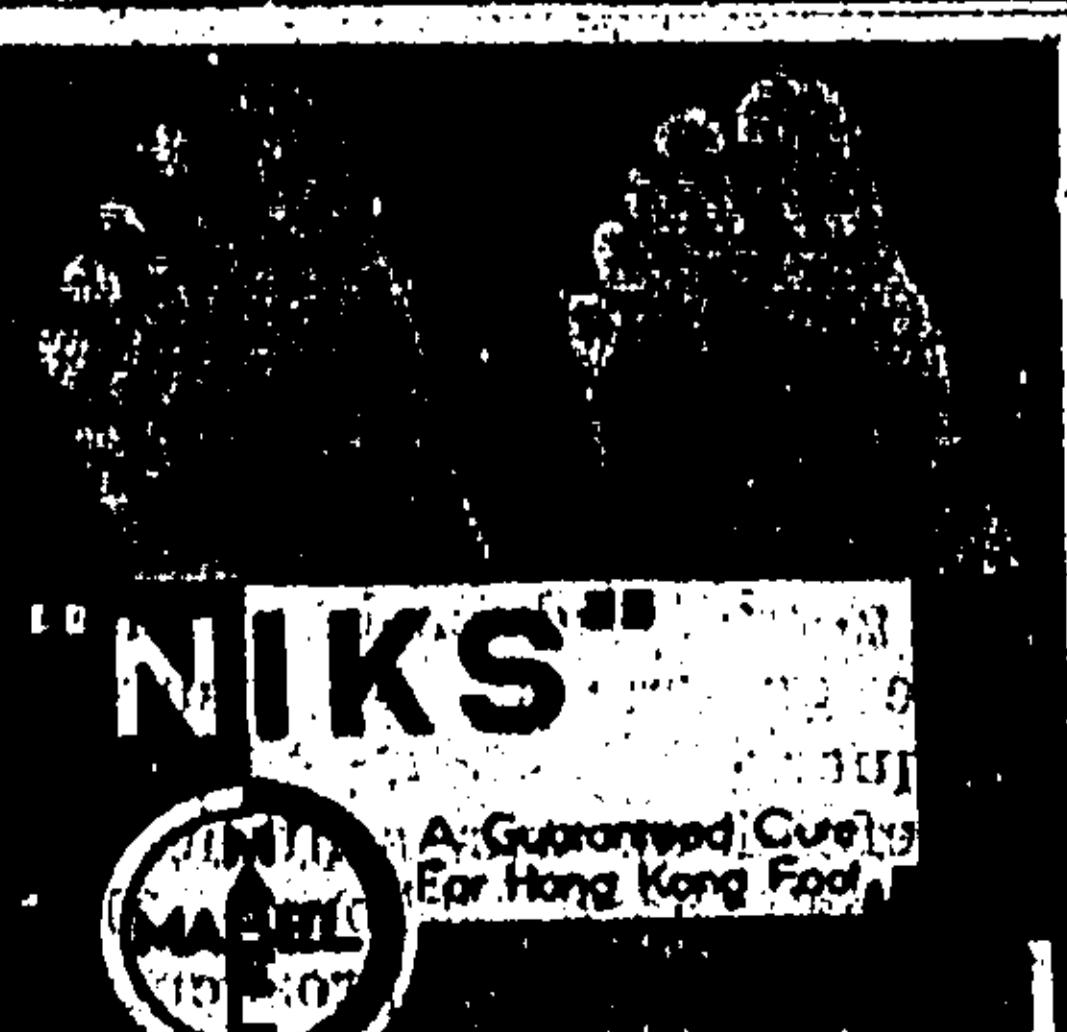
A Lithuanian was killed by two Memal Germans when he refused to reply to a Nazi salute.

The Lithuanian Government has withdrawn security bills from Parliament in order to avoid complications regarding the Memal affairs.—Reuter.

KING'S SPEECH TO ULSTER PARLIAMENT

Belfast, To-day.

The King's speech, read by the Governor at the opening of the new session of the North Ireland, referred to the international situation and said that it was a source of general satisfaction that the international situation had greatly improved.—Reuter.



Sir Robert Rankin, declared that as the result of the recent occurrences in the Far East, some British firms were considering the necessity of appointing Japanese firms to handle their business in China because it was thought that the circumstances might make it impossible for British concerns to serve their interests effectively. He asked what steps were being taken to safeguard the interests of British trade.

Mr. R. S. Hudson, Secretary of the Department of Overseas Trade, replied that his attention had not been called to this before and he would be happy to consider any specific instances to which Sir Robert might draw his attention.—Reuter.

NO AGREEMENT ON SAFETY ZONES

A vernacular newspaper this morning stated that the Commander of the Japanese Expeditionary Forces in South China had consented to the creation of a "Safety Zone" in certain areas between Shumchun and Mirs Bay in Chinese territory.

Mr. T. Nakamura, Consul-General for Japan, told the "China Mail" this morning, however, that he was unable to confirm the report.

He stated that no information had been received from Tokyo concerning the request for a Safety Zone by the Hong Kong authorities sent almost three weeks ago.

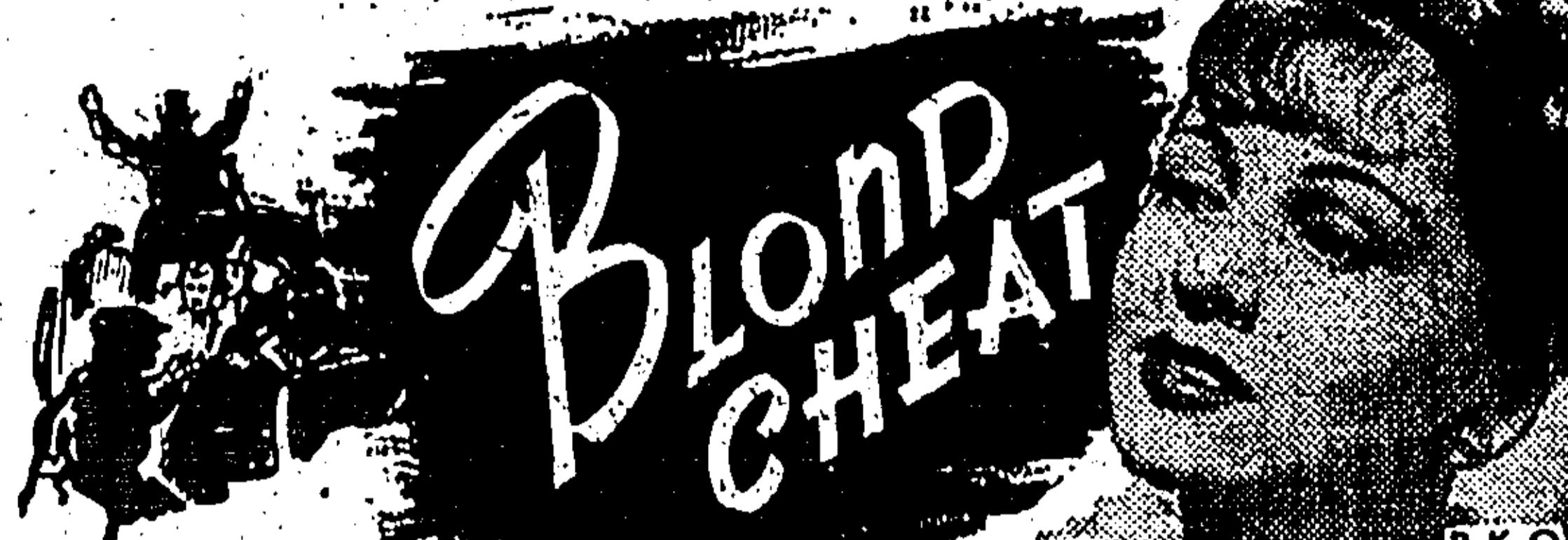
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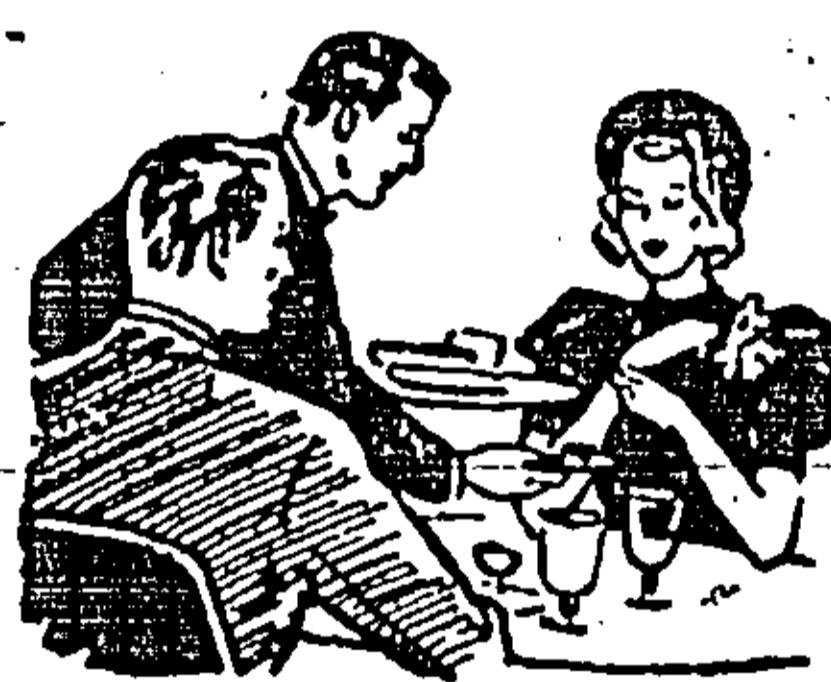
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ANGLO-FRENCH UNITY ON ITALIAN AGITATION AND NO-WAR DECLARATION

London, To-day.

The Italian agitation over Tunis, Nice and Corsica was referred to in the B.B.C. Foreign language broadcast last night when the following broadcast was given in Italian, French and German.

"As a sequel to the demonstration in the Italian Chamber, there has been virtually unanimity between the British Press and British opinion in support of the French protest against the agitation in Italy on behalf of the cession of Tunis, Nice and Corsica."

The Franco-German declaration, signed in Paris yesterday, was the subject of discussion between the French and British Ministers when Mr. Chamberlain and Lord Halifax were in Paris, it is learned by Reuter's diplomatic correspondent, and it is understood that the ministers were in complete agreement regarding it.

It will be recalled that the British Government had already stated they welcomed any arrangement reached between Germany and France on the lines of the Anglo-German declaration of Munich. — Reuter.

GERMAN COMMENT

Berlin, To-day. The signing of the Franco-German Declaration in Paris is the chief topic of the German press this morning.

The papers once more review the important developments which have occurred during the brief span of time since the days of September when the entire world was almost certain that the outbreak of another war between France and Germany over the Czechoslovakian question was imminent and the day when the signing of a Declaration such as that signed yesterday became possible.

Two arguments recur in most of the editorial comments. The first, which is found in the leading article of "Voelkischer Beobachter," is that the German and French people never really hated each other in spite of numerous conflicts over their common border. "History, moreover, has taught us that all the conflicts and wars of the last three centuries have proved completely fruitless in the long run. The Franco-German frontier has remained generally speaking, the same as it was 250 years ago."

BACK TO BACK

Conflicts arose mostly when one of the two countries tried to interfere in the vital interests of the other. Now, however, so it has at last been realised that the two countries are looking towards different directions and standing back to back. France's natural sphere is Western Europe and her overseas Empire. Germany's sphere of vital interests, on the other hand, is Central Europe, and as the natural consequence of historic migrations of the German race, in the Near East."

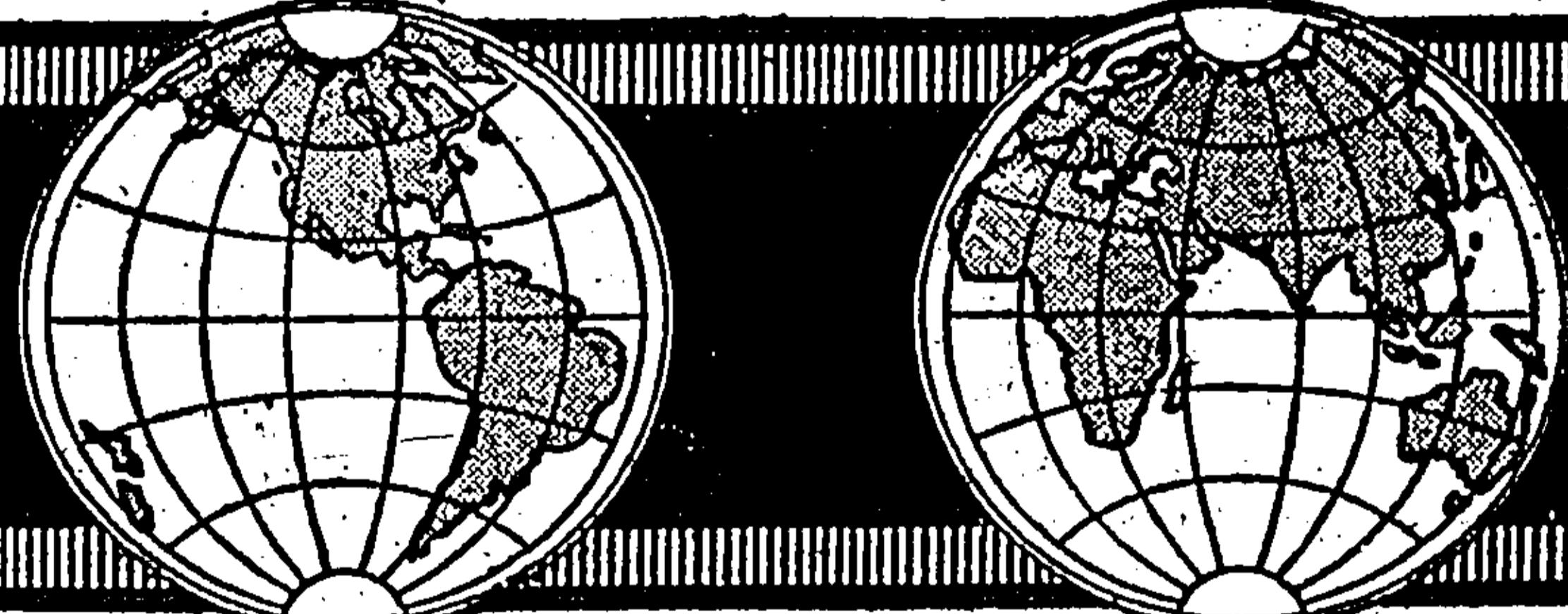
The second reason why the crisis has been quickly converted into the opposite is, in the view of another journal: "As evil gives birth to evil, so good can come out of good." — Trans-Ocean.

FALSE CHEQUES

Yap Sin-fatt, former manager of the Oriental Advertising and Publishing Company, was this morning convicted by Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy, when he pleaded guilty to six charges of obtaining goods and cash by means of false pretences, by issuing false cheques.

Defendant was sentenced to six months' hard labour. Detective Sergeant Hopkins prosecuted.

TO-DAY In Every City on THE GLOBE



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FRANCO-GERMAN NO WAR DECLARATION

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Without Prejudice To Relations With Three Powers

Paris, To-day.

The Franco-German declaration was signed in the great clock room of the Foreign Office at 3.30 yesterday afternoon.

The Reich Minister von Ribbentrop, accompanied by his suite and by the German Ambassador, Count Welczeck, arrived at the Quai d'Orsay at 3.20 and was welcomed by the Foreign Minister, M. Bonnet.

Leading members of the staff of the German Embassy were also present as well as the Premier, M. Daladier, the Secretary-General of the French Foreign Office, Alexis Léger, the French Ambassador in Berlin, M. Coulondre, several high officials of the Quai d'Orsay and numerous representatives of the press of all countries.

The German copy of the document was signed with a gold fountain pen by von Ribbentrop while the French copy was similarly signed by M. Bonnet.

At the conclusion of the ceremony M. Daladier and the two Foreign Ministers accompanied by their suites and by the Ambassadors, Count Welczeck and M. Coulondre, proceeded to the Salle de la Rotonde where discussions immediately began.—Trans-Ocean.

EXCHANGE OF FELICITATIONS

Paris, To-day.

Following is the official communiqué:

The visit of the Reichs Foreign Minister to Paris on December 6, afforded opportunity for an exchange of views. In the course of the talks the most important European problems and especially those questions directly relating to political and economic relations between France and the Reich were examined.

It was recognised by both sides that the development of the relations between the two countries, based on the formal recognition of their frontiers, will serve not only for their common interests but will constitute an essential contribution to the maintenance of peace.

Animated by this spirit the Foreign Ministers of the two countries have signed a declaration which without prejudice to special relations of the two Governments with a third power gives expression of their will to a peaceful co-operation on basis of mutual respect and which thus represents an important step towards on the path to a general appeasement.”—Trans-Ocean.

RIBBENTROP STATEMENT

Herr von Ribbentrop made the following statement.

“By to-day's declaration, Germany and France, on the firm foundation of their friendship with other States, agreed to terminate

their century-old frontier dispute and by mutual recognition of their frontiers to pave the way for reciprocal regard and consideration of their vital national interests. The two nations agree, after grave conflicts of the past, to lay the foundation for good-neighbourly relations in the future. By this declaration of their will they voice their conviction that there are indeed no vital differences between them which might excuse a grave conflict. The economic interests of the two countries are complementary.

The respect which the German and French people gained for each other as fighting opponents during the Great War, shall in times of peace find its natural completion and deepening through the excellent capacities which distinguish both peoples in their work.

NEW ERA

I am therefore convinced that to-day's Franco-German declaration will help to remove historic prejudices and that the relaxation in the tension of our neighbourly relations to which it gives expression will find an unanimous approval not only of the leaders of our nations but also of the peoples themselves. The sentiments which the German people entertain towards a reorientation of international relations found their expression in the cordial reception which was accorded to the French Premier, M. Daladier, in Munich. Sympathy demonstrations which it was my privilege to witness during the few hours of my sojourn in Paris, show to what large extent these sentiments are shared by the people of France. I therefore regard the hope that the declaration will inaugurate a new area in the relations between our two nations as fully justified.”—Trans-Ocean.

ITALIAN VIEW

Rome, To-day. Judging by newspaper comment Italy has adopted an attitude of



JOE INVESTIGATES. Joe, the Grevy Zebra at London Zoo, decided to investigate the contents of a barrow left in his enclosure by a keeper. He was disappointed in his search, which presumably was for something to eat.

approval towards the signing of the Franco-German declaration in Paris.

As the semi-official “Giornale d'Italia” puts it, the Italian Government has all along been informed in a friendly way about the preparation and conclusion of the Franco-German declaration which must be regarded as a reaffirmation of the policy of European appeasement and a further consequence of clarification of international relations arising out of the Munich agreement.

Signing of the declaration, it is added, supplies a further proof that those hostile trends in the big Democratic countries which have been “making so much noise” about the present anti-Jewish measures of the Reich are merely the product of agitation and are not buttressed by any deep-lying sentiments, still less by any vital interests. — Trans-Ocean.

DINNER PARTY

Paris, To-day. The French Foreign Minister and Madame Bonnet gave a dinner in the rooms of the Quai d'Orsay last evening in honour of the German Foreign Minister and Frau von Ribbentrop. Among those present were the French Minister of Interior and Madame Saraut, the Ministers of Air, Justice, Public Works and Trade.

The German guests included the German Ambassador and Countess Welczeck, members of the staff of the German Foreign Minister as well as Embassy Councillor and Frau Breuer.

The French Foreign Minister toasted the Führer and Chancellor, whilst Joachim von Ribbentrop drank to the health of the President, M. Lebrun.—Trans-Ocean.

RIBBENTROP SEES ITALIAN AMBASSADOR

Paris, To-day. After leaving the Quai d'Orsay, the German Foreign Minister, Joachim von Ribbentrop, received the Italian Ambassador, Signor Guariglia, in the Hotel Crillon on the Place de la Concorde.

The conversations which started shortly before seven o'clock are regarded as designed to combat rumours that the Berlin-Rome Axis might have been loosened by the Franco-German Declaration.

It is presumed that the German Foreign Minister informed the Italian Ambassador about his conversation with M. Georges Bonnet, French Minister, after the signing of the Agreement.

Political circles describe the conversation between von Ribbentrop and M. Bonnet as “frank and sincere.”

The two Ministers discussed, apart from questions which directly concern Germany and France, also those questions which have now become the object of careful observation by responsible statesmen in Europe.

There is, therefore, reason for supposing that Italo-French relations and the Spanish question were included.

It is learned that they also discussed the extension of Franco-German trade. French quarters are said to be contemplating extending German exports to French Colonies.—Trans-Ocean.

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THE DAILY SHORT STORY

The Telltale Print

"Yes," Inspector Bije Sothern was saying, "finger-prints and the analyses of finger-prints are still the most important factors in crime detection."

"What do you mean 'finger-print analyses'?" I asked.

"In reference to the case I have in mind," the inspector replied, "it means nothing more than observing the prints and drawing our own conclusions."

"The murder happened last summer up at The Evergreen Camps. A party of six had come up for the fishing, all prominent New Yorkers. Young folks for the most part. Mel Christian was there and Sally Stewart and Rance Sperry and Fay Ostrand, and Mr. and Mrs. Dana Wheelock. All big names.

"Naturally I knew that Mel and Sally were engaged to be married. Everyone knew it. The papers had been full of their activities. But as far as knowing anything else about their private affairs, I didn't. All I knew was that those youngsters had more

Sperry and was surprised to discover from words dropped here and there, that he and Sally were much more deeply in love than anyone had suspected. There was nothing of the harmless flirtation angle about the way he felt.

"Then I examined the gun. I had pictures made of the prints. The pictures told the story. Sally's prints were there all right and so were Mel's but they told an entirely different story than the one Sally had told me. I went to her cabin. Mr. and Mrs. Wheelock were with her. She had packed her bags and was leaving for New York on the afternoon train.

"I asked the Wheelocks to leave. Then I sat down and talked to Sally. I started in at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, and at 2:30 she broke down and confessed she had murdered Mel Christian in a fit of rage, because he had insulted her and refused to release her from her promise to marry him, so she could marry Rance.

"Brutal? To be sure. But the girl

By James Freeman

money to spend than was good for them and not enough responsibility. Also, I knew that they were human beings like the rest of us, a fact which is mighty helpful and dependable when you're dealing with people who, to ordinary folks, sometimes seem inhuman.

"Joe Servence, who owned the camps, reported the murder. He claimed it was suicide.

"No doubt about it," he confided. "Miss Stewart saw it happen. She's pretty upset."

"You mean, the girl actually saw Mel Christian shoot himself?"

"It's like this," Joe explained. "He was worried. He didn't want the news to get out. It's like this: Miss Stewart and Mel Christian were engaged. Everyone knows that. Well, up here where there's not much to do, young folks get uneasy. Rance Sperry, who is one of the party, got interested in Sally. He's a handsome devil and has a reputation for being adventurous. Men like that attract women. Sally was flattered. Nothing serious, you understand. Just a harmless flirtation. But Mel found out about it. Saw them kissing. He went to Sally's cabin. He accused her of being disloyal. He was ugly. Sally got mad. She said things she didn't mean, not realising the effect her words would have."

"Mel dragged a gun out of his pocket and said that he was going to shoot himself. If he couldn't have her, life wasn't worth living."

"Sally realised then that he had been drinking and was dead serious. She pleaded with him to come to his senses. When he put the gun to his head she jumped at him, tore the weapon from his hands. They struggled.

"Finally Mel got the weapon away from her and shot himself. A second later the door opened and Rance Sperry stepped inside, followed by Mrs. Wheelock. They had been attracted by the struggle. Sally had fainted."

"It sounded all right. I talked to Sally and she confirmed everything Joe had said. Right down to the last detail. Frankly, I was convinced that Mel Christian had actually died by his own hand."

"However, there are certain routine duties that must be performed in a case like this. I talked with Rance

had committed murder. She wasn't safe to be allowed to go and come in Society. Not a girl who would kill and who was smart enough to cover up crime the way Sally Stewart did. No, she deserved any brutality I might have resorted to in my examination.

"How did I know she had committed murder? Why, the finger-prints. The finger-prints on the gun were as clearly etched as any you'd want to see.

If she had snatched the gun from Mel's hand, and if he had struggled to get it back as she had claimed, those finger-prints couldn't help but be smudged.

"Sally had shot him all right. Coldly and deliberately. And then had carefully pressed his fingers against the gun so that when the weapon was examined it would reveal hers and Mel's prints to coincide with her story.

"That's what I mean by finger-print analysis."

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Sir John Anderson And Voluntary Register

Air Raid Warden Training To Be Revised

London, To-day.

Plans for civilian defence in Britain were detailed by Sir John Anderson, Lord Privy Seal, opening a debate in the House of Commons last night on voluntary service plans.

Sir John disclosed that discussions of the lists of reserved occupations with employers and representatives of the workers had already been initiated.

From January 1, he said, there would be training with regard to incendiary bombs and high explosions and 240 fully qualified instructors would come forth every month from the special schools and be able to expand the training in different localities.

He announced that the training of Air Raids Wardens was being re-organised so as to include instruction in the meeting of an incendiary bomb attack, elementary first aid and exercises in working a communications system.

FIRST AID

Special arrangements were being made for the training of first-aid parties with the assistance of the St. John Ambulance Brigade and the British Red Cross society.

No difficulty was expected in large areas about the training of firemen.

The beginning had already been made in the setting of the organisation necessary for recruiting.

Sir John Anderson explained that nothing in the nature of a "whirlwind campaign" was thought to be necessary, having regard to the number of recruits already available.

THE REGISTER

The National Voluntary Register would include a register of people with special administrative qualifications. There would be a special register for those with exceptional scientific and professional knowledge and this was already being compiled by professional bodies and the universities.

He revealed that about 50,000 enumerators would be engaged to facilitate compilation of a complete register if it became necessary in an emergency. The cost would be £10,000 for the whole country.

A complete register on the eve of an emergency would cost £250,000.

NO SINISTER PURPOSE

He concluded: "There is, in the Register, no sinister purpose, no ulterior motive, nothing which would enable some future government to do something prejudicial to the interests of some class or section of the community. I see no possibility of getting a united nation behind a compulsory system in peacetime and there is no necessity for one." — Reuter.

HANDBOOK ORDER

The Lord Privy Seal said that the final order for printing of the handbook, the object of which is to make clear to the public the various forms national service can take, had gone to Stationery Office and he hoped that distribution to all households would be far advanced by the third week in January.

Local National Service Committees which were to be set up would be constituted on a widely representative basis, beginning with a Committee for each County and County Borough.

Sir John Anderson emphasised that these Committees would not have any of the functions of a recruiting authority. He went on to deal in detail with questions of the training of volunteers in A.R.P. services and the necessary equipment for that purpose.

Training in certain cases would be obligatory.

NOT FOOLS

The Lord Privy Seal referred to the argument often urged in support of having on a compulsory register now, namely, that it would be a bold measure which would impress foreign opinion. On this, he said he believed that those who constituted foreign governments were not fools and it would be quite apparent to them that there would be an element of make-believe in any such measure.

Instead of being impressed, they might conclude it was only being done because His Majesty's Government could think of nothing better to do.

As to those at home who advocated a compulsory register, he thought there was confusion in their minds and that they really intended some form of compulsory service. It was very doubtful what compulsion now would achieve. Even in time of war, there was no sharp antithesis between the voluntary principle and compulsion.

Compulsion, for example, was of little use in getting people for jobs requiring judgment, initiative and discretion. The number and importance of jobs of that character had greatly increased under modern conditions.

LABOUR QUESTIONING

Mr. Arthur Greenwood, speaking for the Opposition, asked for further information regarding the forms of voluntary service, regarding which, Sir John Anderson had announced last Thursday, he proposed to introduce some form of contractual undertaking. He also

POPE GOES FOR A DRIVE

Vatican City, To-day. The Pope, whose condition has improved, went for a drive in his motor-car in the Vatican gardens this afternoon.

This is the second time that His Holiness has been out of doors since his recent illness. — Reuter.

XMAS DEMAND FOR CURRENCY

London, To-day.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer announced in the Commons that he had given directions, at the request of the Bank of England and under the powers conferred on the Treasury by the Currency and Bank Notes Act of 1928, that as from December 6 the fiduciary issue which was reduced from £260,000,000 to £200,000,000 in 1936, should be temporarily raised to £230,000,000 to meet seasonal demands. — British Wireless.

SPAAK GAINS VOTE OF CONFIDENCE

Brussels, To-day.

The Belgian Chamber continued its consideration of the Cabinet position concerning the Socialist split when following a declaration by the Prime Minister, M. Paul Spaak, to the effect that the Government would not resign unless defeated, the Chamber accorded the Government a vote of confidence by 111 votes to 49, with 21 abstentions.

Socialists and Communists voted against and the Flemish Nationalists abstained. — Reuter.

expressed the view that Labour would want more information regarding the industrial aspects of the scheme. They would want a safeguard against victimisation and the use of the new organisation against Trade Unions. Mr. Greenwood argued that when calls for service were being made on men and women, there ought to be proper organisation of national resources such as would absorb into productive employment the large numbers now involuntarily idle.

He referred also to the question of profiteering.

MR. AMERY NOT PLEASED

Sir Percy Harris, for the Liberals, congratulated the Lord Privy Seal on building his scheme on the sure foundations of the voluntary principle, but Mr. Amery, who followed, expressed disappointment. He

thought the proposals showed little realisation of the terrible peril which confronted them. Two days have been allocated to the debate and the division will not be taken until the end of the second day. — British Wireless.

NEW TYPE OF INCENDIARY BOMB

London, To-day.

A new type of incendiary bomb was described yesterday at a conference here of the Society of Chemical Industry in an address by the technical expert of the Home Ministry, Mr. A. R. Astbury.

A large bombing airplane, it was stated, could carry 2,000 of these bombs. The highly inflammable bombs can be dropped from the aircraft in groups of 20 each second.

The spreading action of the new bombs on bursting could be increased to 1,250 metres, the lecturer explained. — Trans-Ocean.

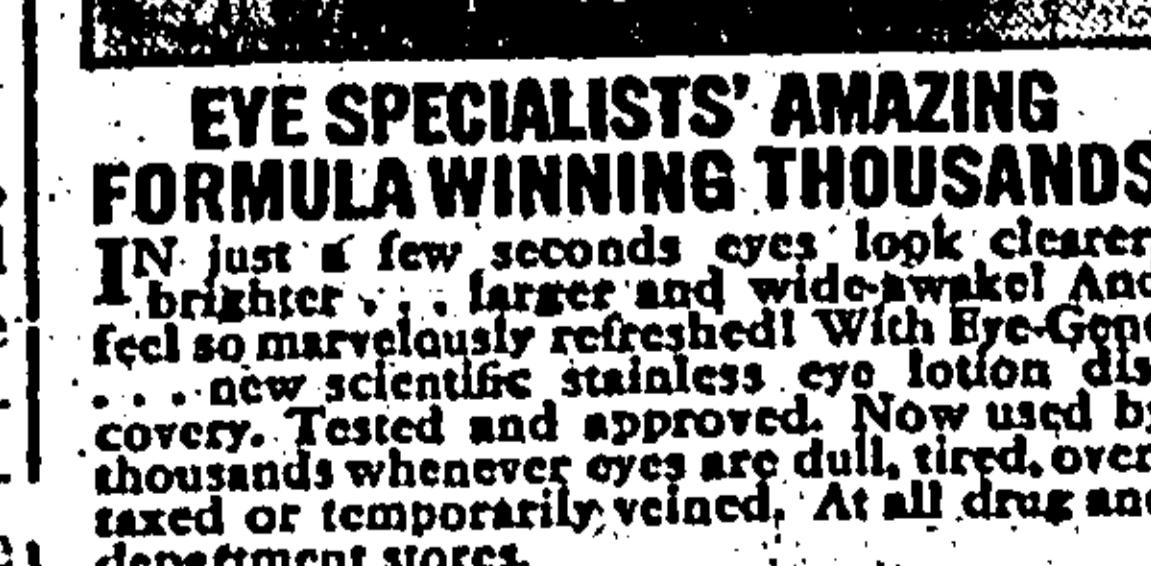
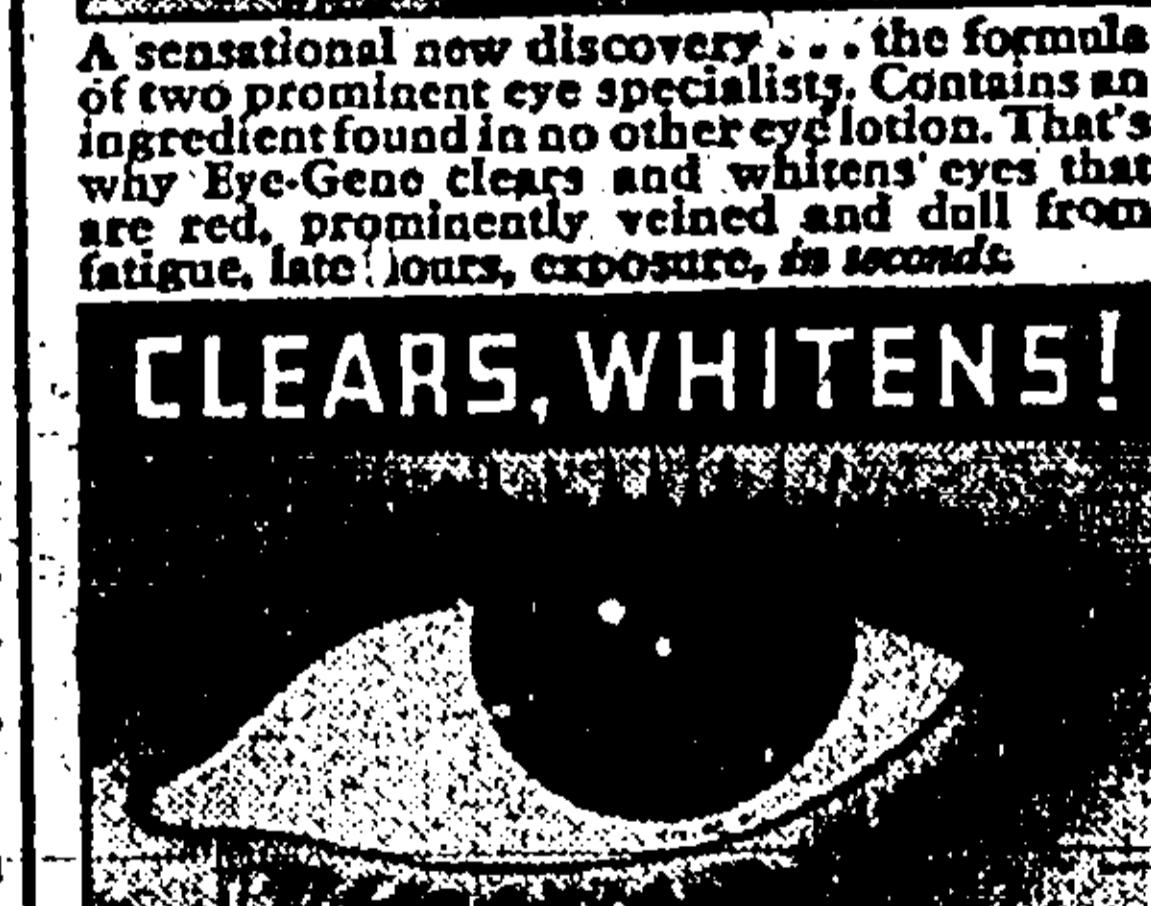
BRITISH RAILWAY TRAFFIC

London, To-day.

The English railways carried 8,800,000 fewer passengers in August of this year than in the corresponding month last year according to figures published yesterday.

The decline in the revenue by comparison with August 1937 was about £207,900.

Chief cause of this state of affairs is said to be the preference of the travelling public for overland omnibus services. One English railway company, namely the London and North Eastern Railway, have already withdrawn about 100 trains from its timetable. — Trans-Ocean.



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FRANCE AND GERMANY

Some curious things have been happening in Paris. Although the idea of a general election has been dropped, with the utter defeat of the left in the general strike test of public feeling, a rapprochement with Germany—or at least the semblance of one—continues to have at last been brought to the stage of signature of a No-War Declaration by M. Bonnet, the Foreign Minister. If it were simply a case of strengthening peace in Europe no one would criticise these efforts, but there is a widespread impression that there are some curious party considerations behind them, and some of the means contemplated in certain quarters for attaining this semblance of a "Franco-German peace" are rousing suspicions.

It is known that certain French Cabinet Ministers attached great importance to the visit of M. Francois-Poncet (the retiring French Ambassador in Berlin) to Berchtesgaden. What exactly happened there is not known, but the visit was not simply a farewell call and something substantial was discussed, for from that onward some rather enigmatic conferences have been taking place in Paris.

M. Daladier himself has in the past always shown a great interest in a possible agreement between France and Germany, for instance, when he was War Minister at the end of 1933 it was with his special encouragement that M. de Brinon (one of the leading lights of the rather mysterious Comite France-Allemagne) was sent to Berlin, where he produced his famous "Matin" interview with Hitler—in which Hitler was represented as being a most sincere pacifist.

Certain things are now known regarding the lines on which M. Daladier and M. Bonnet may have been working.

The main, apparently, was the Franco-German declaration on the lines of the Chamberlain-Hitler declaration at Munich. Behind it, however, and alleged to lie.

A free hand for Germany in Eastern and Central Europe.

The unobtrusive abandonment of the Franco-Soviet pact, and, perhaps, even of the Fran-

co-Polish alliance.

The possible transfer of the Cameroons to Germany.

This last point has been emphatically denied by the Quai d'Orsay. There had been, it was said, no talks about colonies with Germany. But for the other points, there was neither denial nor confirmation.

From Top To Bottom

Lord Justice Greer, who has retired from the Court of Appeal, had a playful suggestion to make in his farewell speech. Courts of appeal were, it was indicated, admirable institutions, but it was even more important to get cases rightly decided in the first instance. From that point of view he had sometimes wondered whether the best system of promotion to the Bench would not be to appoint a judge first of all to the House of Lords and let him learn his business there, then "promote" him to the Court of Appeal, and then to the High Court—and after all that experience he would be really fit to be advanced to a County Court judgeship.

But surely that need not be the end of his triumphant progress from top to bottom. Having proved his ability in the County Court his name might then go forward as one who was qualified to become a fully fledged J.P.—or even a special constable. . . . But one difficulty about having all the wisest and most experienced heads sitting in the courts of first instance might be that there would be no work at all for the courts of appeal. And in that case how would the judges who began there ever get the experience that they would be expected to display when they had been elevated to the lower rungs of the legal ladder? It all sounds very difficult; in spite of its drawbacks we shall probably have to remain faithful to the older system of judicial promotion.

Detective Procedure

The report which has been issued by the Departmental Committee on Detective Work and Procedure makes recommendations which have, presumably been based solely on the desire to facilitate the detection of crime; but some of them need also to be considered from the point of view of public rights.

The proposed increase in the power of the police in England permitting the search of premises and the arrest of persons without a warrant is limited to cases in which the police are trying to trace stolen property; but it has obvious dangers. There will be some sympathy with the proposals for restricting the activities of journalists in working up crime stories and in publishing interviews with people who may be called upon to give evidence in court.

Legislation, the Committee thinks, is needed to prohibit reports which are likely to prejudice the investigation of crime.

The use which is being made of the Official Secrets Act shows how easily legislation of this kind can be abused. An Act designed to prevent nefarious journalism might be so applied as to militate seriously against the public interest. On safer ground is the proposal that a greater use should be made by the police of the resources of science.

BATTLESHIP FLEET FOR SINGAPORE

Assurance Given To Australian Government

DISCLOSURE BY FEDERAL TREASURER

Canberra, To-day.

Further extension of the Australian Three-Year-Defence programme was announced by the Minister of Defence, in which the expenditure is now fixed at £63,000,000, an increase of £19,000,000 on the present plan. Over twenty millions are to be spent on the Navy.

The principal items of expenditure apart from the twenty million sterling for the Navy, are twenty millions for the Army, sixteen and a half millions for the Air Force and nearly five millions for munitions.

Mr. Casey, the Federal Treasurer, announced the introduction of a ten million sterling defence loan bill, an unspecified portion of which is to be borrowed in London to assist financing the defence expansion.

Highlights of the new programme are:

Two destroyers of the Tribal Class,

Twelve motor torpedo boats to be built in Sydney.

There will be no purchase of capital ships after the British assurance that an adequate fleet is to be stationed on Singapore.

The British Government are to be consulted regarding the provision of a dock in Sydney capable of accommodating battleships and the establishment of a mobile naval Air Force base at Port Moresby.

The Air force is to be increased from 17 to 18 squadrons and 212 machines are to be stationed at Townsville, Queensland.—Reuter.

FRENCH DIGGING TRENCHES ON LIBYAN BORDER

Rome, To-day.

French troops are busily engaged throwing up trenches along the frontier separating Tunisia from Italian Libya, according to a despatch to "Giornale d'Italia," which recalls that the same action was taken during the September crisis.

It is reported that other fortifications are being constructed and coastal and air defence establishments placed in a state of war readiness.—Trans-Ocean.

MR. PIROW'S IMPRESSIONS

London, To-day.

The statement issued in London by the South African Defence Minister on the international situation was the subject of a Commons supplementary question addressed to the Dominions Secretary, who had less

NO TALKS WITH ITALY ON SUEZ CANAL

London, To-day.

Mr. Chamberlain said in the Commons that no communication had taken place with the Italian Government regarding the administration of the Suez Canal.

Asked whether the matter would be discussed during his visit in January to Rome the Prime Minister said that he was not prepared to make a statement.—Reuter.

SPECTACULAR BLAZE IN TRINIDAD

Port of Spain, To-day.

Eleven blazing lighters floating slowly through the harbour formed a spectacular sequel to the biggest fire seen in the city for many years.

The customs warehouse was stacked with Christmas hams and tons of general cargo unloaded from a ship from England yesterday which suddenly burst into flames to-day.

The warehouse was completely destroyed and the loaded lighters moored alongside quickly ignited and they were towed seaward where they sank.—Reuter.

previously repeated expression of his anticipation, that Mr. Pirow would inform the British Ministers regarding his discussions in Europe before he left for South Africa at the end of the week.—British Wire-

ITALIANS DEMONSTRATE AT GENOA

Rome, To-day.

Five hundred Italian students demonstrated outside the French Consulate at Genoa shouting: "Tunis, Corsica, Nice."

They were dispersed by the police without incident.—Reuter.

KONGMOON NOT YET OCCUPIED

Macao, To-day.

It is confirmed here by Chinese officials arriving from Shek-ki that the Japanese have not yet reached Kongmoon.

They were expected to arrive last evening, but expected reinforcements from Fatshan failed to appear and held up their advance.

Ferry boats between Kongmoon and Shek-ki were still in service this morning, and many refugees are flowing into the Chung Shan District, where martial law is still in force.

Remaining civilians in Kongmoon are hastily evacuating.

NAVAL ARSENAL SITE TO BE RE-SOLD?

London, To-day.

"Is it intended to re-purchase the Naval Arsenal site sold to the Hong Kong Government last year?" asked Mr. Fletcher in the House of Commons yesterday.

Mr. Geoffrey Shakespeare replied that the site of the old arsenal in Hong Kong which was vacated on terms agreed by local Government was never the property of the Admiralty and therefore no question of repurchase arises.

Enquiries were recently made by the Admiralty regarding the terms by which possession of part or whole site could be acquired but no decision has been taken.—Reuter.

The Chinese police withdrew yesterday afternoon and have joined the Chinese troops outside the city.—Our Own Correspondent.

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AIR OF TENSION STILL HANGS OVER RUMANIA

Government Fighting 'Iron Guard' Terrorism

MR. PIROW TO MEET CABINET MINISTERS

London, To-day.

A series of questions were asked in the House of Commons yesterday in connection with the return to London from his European tour of Mr. Oswald Pirow, the South African Minister of Defence.

Mr. Malcolm Macdonald, the Colonial Secretary, replying on behalf of the Government said that so far he had received no report from Mr. Pirow on the talks which the South African Minister had in the various European capitals, but that before the departure of Mr. Pirow to South Africa at the end of the week, he and other Cabinet Ministers would have the opportunity to learn Mr. Pirow's impressions.

Finally the Colonial Secretary described as incorrect the report that Mr. Pirow had given orders for aircraft during his stay in Germany. — Trans-Ocean.

THEFT FROM DAIRY FARM

Kwong Hau, aged 56, cook, was charged before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning, with larceny of 6½ pounds of pork from the Dairy Farm Ice and Cold Storage, yesterday.

Sub-Inspector Flattery, said that defendant was employed by the Dairy Farm, and about 10 a.m. yesterday when he was about to leave work, he took the pork with him, and was arrested. Mr. G. G. Grover, the assistant, told the Court that defendant was caught for stealing before, but had not been charged on that occasion.

Defendant was fined \$50 or one month's hard labour.

HEROIN DEALER SENTENCED

"It is believed that the defendant is a dealer who sells heroin pills to the Kowloon divans as there were no smokers, pipes and lamps found when I raided the premises," said Revenue Officer E. T. Warden at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning when he prosecuted Ng Wing before Mr. E. H. Hinsworth on a charge of possession of 1,125 heroin pills at No. 147 Temple Street, ground floor, on November 29.

Ng Wing, who pleaded guilty to the possession offence, was fined \$600 or six months' hard labour.

The R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" from Manila is due at 8 a.m. tomorrow and will berth at Kowloon Wharf.

Tightening Up Of Censorship

Bucharest, To-day.

The increasing political tension throughout Rumania has compelled the Minister of the Interior, M. Kalinescu, to give up his second post as Minister of Education in order to devote his undivided attention to the internal situation, it is announced here.

Censorship has been increased to such an extent that reliable reports from the provinces are practically non-existent but some idea of the activities of the Iron Guard organisation is gained from Government reports on the measures being taken to fight terrorism.

In connection with the attempted assassination of the President of the Czernowitz military tribunal, Colonel Cristescu, it is announced that numerous arrests have been made among students.

The person arrested for participation in the shooting affray is an 18-years-old student, Leónid Lutu-tovici, who in the first cross-examination, declared that with his accomplice who was excluded from all Rumanian schools in September for his activities in the Iron Guard, he received the order from the "death battalion" to shoot Lieutenant Colonel Cristescu. He declared that he and his classmates had been given instructions in pistol shooting.

On the basis of this testimony, numerous students in the Czernowitz Gymnasium have been questioned and their rooms searched.

Although it is practically impossible to ascertain even the approximate strength of the illegal Iron Guard organisation, it is declared that the shooting of its leader, Cornelio Celea Codreanu, has not weakened the organisation.

The situation is dangerous as although King Carol has the army on his side, and the Government in his hand, he has no major party behind him. — Trans-Ocean.

WEATHER FORECAST

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone is stationary over China and South Japan; the depression is situated about 350 miles E.S.E. of Manila, moving westward.

Local forecast:—N.E. winds, fresh; fair.

BIG JEWISH BANK IN BERLIN TO CLOSE DOWN

Berlin, To-day.

The last remaining and most important Jewish bank in Berlin, Mendelsohn and Company, has now gone into liquidation, and the Jewish partners in the business, Rudolf Loeb, Fritz Mankheimer with the firm, whose clients will be transferred to the Deutsche Bank, which has also taken over 100 members of the staff out of a total of 120.

The Aryan partners, Frau Giulietta von Mendelsohn, Robert von Mendelsohn, and Ferdinand Kremer, have been appointed liquidators of the firm. — Trans-Ocean.

DR. CHVALKOVSKY TO VISIT BERLIN

Prague, To-day.

The Foreign Minister, Dr. Chvalkovsky, will, according to press reports here, travel to Berlin immediately after Herr von Ribbentrop's return from Paris in order to pay his long anticipated visit to the German Government. — Trans-Ocean.

Leung Hun, residing at No. 146 Fuk Wing Street, has reported that his house was entered at about midnight yesterday, and money and jewellery to the value of \$52.70 stolen.



The six airmen of the two R.A.F. bombers which flew non-stop from Egypt to Australia, photographed at Darwin after their flight. From left to right, Squadron-Leader R. Kellest, Pilot-Officer M. I. Gaine, Flight-Lieutenant R. T. Gething, Flight-Lieutenant A. N. Combe, Sergeant H. B. Gray and Flight-Lieutenant B. K. Burnett.

News Snack Box



A gale was blowing in the Channel when Mr. Chamberlain and Lord Halifax crossed for their talks with the French Premier and Foreign Minister. This picture shows Mr. Chamberlain clutching for safety as the ship gives a lurch.

TOLL OF LONDON STREETS DOWN

One hundred and ninety-two people were killed and 14,383 injured in street accidents in the London police area during the quarter ended September 30. Figures for the comparative period last year were 241 killed, 14,606 injured.

Pedestrians killed numbered 100. Private cars caused fifty-three deaths, pedal cycles thirty-five.

LEFT £600 — AND MYSTERY

"Place of abode not known . . . died on or since June 18, 1931, at a place not known . . ." Thus reads the act of administration on the estate of Henry Templeman Simons, who left £671. He died intestate.

He was a bachelor and administration has been granted to his brother, Francis Linley Simons, of Chapel-row, Herne, Kent.

P.C.S ARE COURTESY COPS

Hornsey, Middlesex, has become a motorists' paradise. The police there have all turned courtesy cops.

Instead of "giving the warning formula of prosecution" they give the erring drivers friendly lectures and send them on their way rejoicing . . . except in extreme cases.

And pedestrians are getting lessons in road manners also . . . which pleases motorists.

SKELETONS IN PLAYING FIELDS

Girl students at Bangor University have been playing lacrosse on what was a prehistoric burial ground. Three skeletons and other teeth and bones are being studied by Professor Brambell, while the £7,000 scheme for levelling the playing fields has been held up to allow archaeologists to explore.

Most interesting find so far is a 4ft. stone bearing strange inscriptions.

RABBIT BONE KILLED HER

A rabbit bone she swallowed killed Miss Lydia Maria Spencer, eighty-one, of Market-street, Paddington. Misadventure was the inquest verdict.

CHRISTMAS WILL BE BIGGEST AIR TEST

Every available 'plane, owned and chartered, is being used by Imperial Airways this Christmas to fulfil their contract of carrying all Empire mail by air.

The company's own fleet, over seventy craft in all, will be utilised to the fullest. In addition, it is believed, another large fleet of air liners will have to be chartered. For the total mail (estimated) which is expected to be carried will be about 280 tons.

Heracles and Scylla class air liners are to be taken off European routes, fitted with extra petrol tanks and fly on various Empire ways.

The Short-Mayo composite will find new work. Mercury, fully



Here Mr. Chamberlain is grabbing for support with one hand and holding on to his hat with the other.

loaded, taking off in midair, will fly non-stop to Egypt.

In addition, Imperial hope to use some of the new Ensigns and three of the giant Atlantic air boats.

IN LOVE AGAIN

Luise Rainer has dropped the divorce suit she brought against her husband, playwright Clifford Odets . . . because they're courting again. A mutual lawyer friend arranged a meeting in a New York hotel. They fell into each other's arms . . . kissed and agreed they'd both been stubborn . . . then left arm-in-arm.

THEIR "LASTING" GIFT

Twelve thousand shop assistants in the shoe trade will get a rise of between 5s. and 20s. a week as a Christmas present this year. The Shop Assistants' Union has just reached an agreement to this effect with the Multiple Shop Federation.

YOUNG ANTIQUARIAN

A coin issued by the Greek colony of Alexandria 1,800 years ago has been presented to the National Museum by Alan Phillips—a schoolboy, aged twelve, of Ton Pentre, Glamorgan. He found it digging in his garden.

PYTHON PETS A DANGER

"Pythons and other pets which constitute a public danger" are referred to in a question which Captain L. F. Plugge (Coh., Rochester, Chatham), is to ask the Home Secretary in the Commons. He wants to know if people are to be stopped having them.

ARTIST TO RE-MARRY

Notice has been given at a London register office of the forthcoming marriage of Mr. Gill, the artist, and twenty-nine-year-old Miss Una Elizabeth Long. Mr. Gill, who is forty-six and a widower, is known chiefly for his decorative work, including panels in the Houses of Parliament and the Bank of England.

U. S. WANTS £600,000 GASBAG

Tenders for a training dirigible for the United States Navy, estimated to cost £600,000, have been invited. The airship is to be 325ft. long and have a gas capacity of 1,000,000 cubic feet.

ANOTHER MISSING LINK?

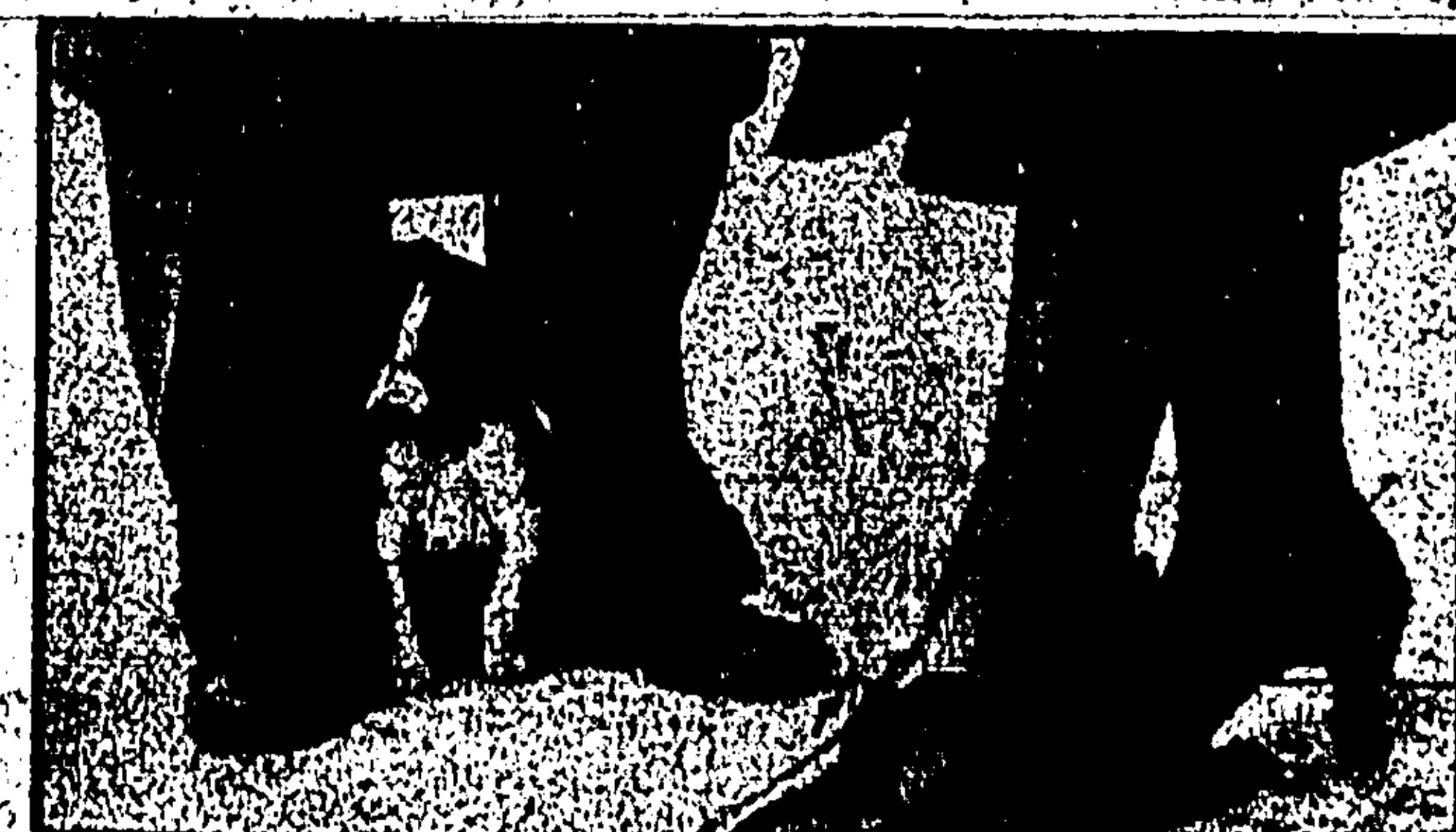
Skull and other human remains unearthed in Castle-street, Trowbridge (Wiltshire), are believed to be many thousands of years old. The skull is of huge dimensions, in places half-an-inch thick, and the bones those of a giant.



Mr. Chamberlain here is sufficiently composed to point out to Lord Halifax, who had been unperturbed throughout, the coast of France. (Air mail pictures).

NO MORE GIANT POTATOES

Potato Marketing Board has decided to prohibit the sale for human consumption of potatoes over 1lb. in weight and of potatoes appreciably cracked or split.



He's met that woman again . . . well, I'm standing out of it!



The Prime Minister buying his poppy in Downing Street before going to the Cenotaph ceremony.

£50,000,000 FOR U.S. DEFENCES

The U.S. Reconstruction Finance Corporation is ready to lend private utility companies about £50,000,000 to finance the expansion of their properties in the interest of the national defence programme.

This statement is made by Mr. Jesse Jones, chairman of the Corporation.

SWINGING-THE-CAT

DEFINED

"Room to swing a cat" . . . The phrase was defined, to most people's surprise, at Clerkenwell—impossible to swing a cat" in them.

"I wonder if you can tell me what area is covered by that operation," asked Judge Earengey.

No reply was forthcoming, so the Judge added: "I am told it has nothing to do with the household cat . . . but with a weapon (cat-o'-nine-tails").

SWEET TOOTH RECORD

British people are using sugar, in all its forms, at a rate of more than 2lb. a head every week . . . more than ever before.

These figures are given in the latest edition of the Imperial Economic Committee's review "Plantation Crops."

Australia and the United States have nearly the same sugar consumption as Britain. But in France and Germany it is only about half as much. In Poland, which exports sugar, it is less than half a pound a week. But coffee per year, France 10lb., U.S.A. 13lb., Sweden 16lb.

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MOTHER: WHERE IS THAT AWFUL OLD, BROKEN CHAIR THAT WAS IN HERE?

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HA-HA-HA!
IF THAT WASN'T RICH.

WHAT ARE YOU LAUGHING AT, YOU HYENA?

YOU KNOW THAT OLD CHAIR YOU GOT RID OF? WELL--I WENT OVER TO THE MANSION OF MR. SPOOL OF THE SEW-ANSEW THREAD CO. AND HIS SOCIAL LEADER WIFE WAS THERE AND I MET HER--

**DEVIL'S ISLE REFUGEE
TO BE DEPORTED**

BRISTOL, NOVEMBER 23.
IF GREY-HAIRED RENE AUDOUIN SETS FOOT IN FRANCE AGAIN HE WILL BE SENT BACK TO DEVIL'S ISLAND, FRENCH PENAL SETTLEMENT WORLD-FAMED AS THE WORLD'S WORST PRISON. AND TO-DAY BRISTOL MAGISTRATES RECOMMENDED HIM FOR DEPORTATION FROM ENGLAND.

Audouin, forty-six-year-old Frenchman, his face as creased with dejection as the crumpled brown suit he wore, asked only one question (in French) as he was convicted of being a stowaway:

"Will I be deported to France?" He was told: "That will be a matter for the Home Secretary to decide."

In French he had made two statements, which were interpreted to the magistrates, telling how he had escaped from Devil's Island with four companions, after serving ten years there.

The statements read: "I am a married man with two daughters; by occupation an outfitter's salesman. For the theft of jewellery and money I was sentenced to Cayenne, French Guiana, for ten years.

"I was deported from France to Cayenne on October 7, 1927. I stayed there until October 30, 1927, and then decided to escape.

"With four more men I sailed in a canoe to Trinidad. We had no food or drink for seven days. When we got there they put us in hospital, and then the Salvation Army looked after us.

"After five months the governor of the island bought us a little canoe, and we left with six other

escaped prisoners from Cayenne—making eleven in all—intending to sail for Mexico.

"CANOE WAS WRECKED"
"We were wrecked on the rocks off Jamaica, and were rescued by police.

"I then stowed away in a ship bound for Canada, but I was discovered by the captain when it reached Halifax, and was sent back to Jamaica. I stayed in Jamaica six weeks before stowing away in the Elders and Fyffe's steamer Corrales at Kingston, Jamaica."

Audouin told the police that, although he had completed his term of imprisonment at Cayenne, French law forbade his return to France, as a term of over seven years carried with it banishment for life. He was therefore compelled to stay permanently in the penal settlement, and that was why he escaped.

The Corrales arrived at Bristol yesterday. Mr. J. A. Duff, second officer, said that when Audouin was found he was put to work in the stokehold, and on completion of the voyage was handed over to the police as a stowaway.

He told them he was born at La Rochelle.

Man Who Gave Capone His Scar Arrested

New York, November 25.
Frankie Galluccio, the man who gave Scarface Al Capone his scar, was arrested in New York, to-day "for consorting with known criminals."

Galluccio, bespectacled, looking like a clerk, knifed Capone in 1923, when Capone was just a "small-time" crook.

Capone insulted Frankie's sister. Frankie handled his knife so deftly that when Capone became the "overlord" of Chicago he made Frankie his bodyguard at £20 a week.

Frankie left Capone's service on Christmas Day, 1925, when there were several murders at a night club operated by Capone.

Frankie, arrested on New York's waterfront yesterday, protested that he was only the doorman at the club, but he disappeared "just for safety's sake."

He told the police: "Since 1925 I've been a chauffeur, though sometimes I sell jewellery."

Capone is serving a jail term on Alcatraz Island (America's "Devil's Island") for income-tax evasion.



CHAMBERLAIN FLEES TO BRITAIN,



CHAMBERLAIN IN PARIS. Mr. Chamberlain with his Lord and Lady Halifax visited Paris for Anglo-French talks with M. Daladier. Photo shows Mr. Chamberlain jokingly showing Daladier his famous umbrella when they met for their talks at the Quai d'Orsay. (Copyright).



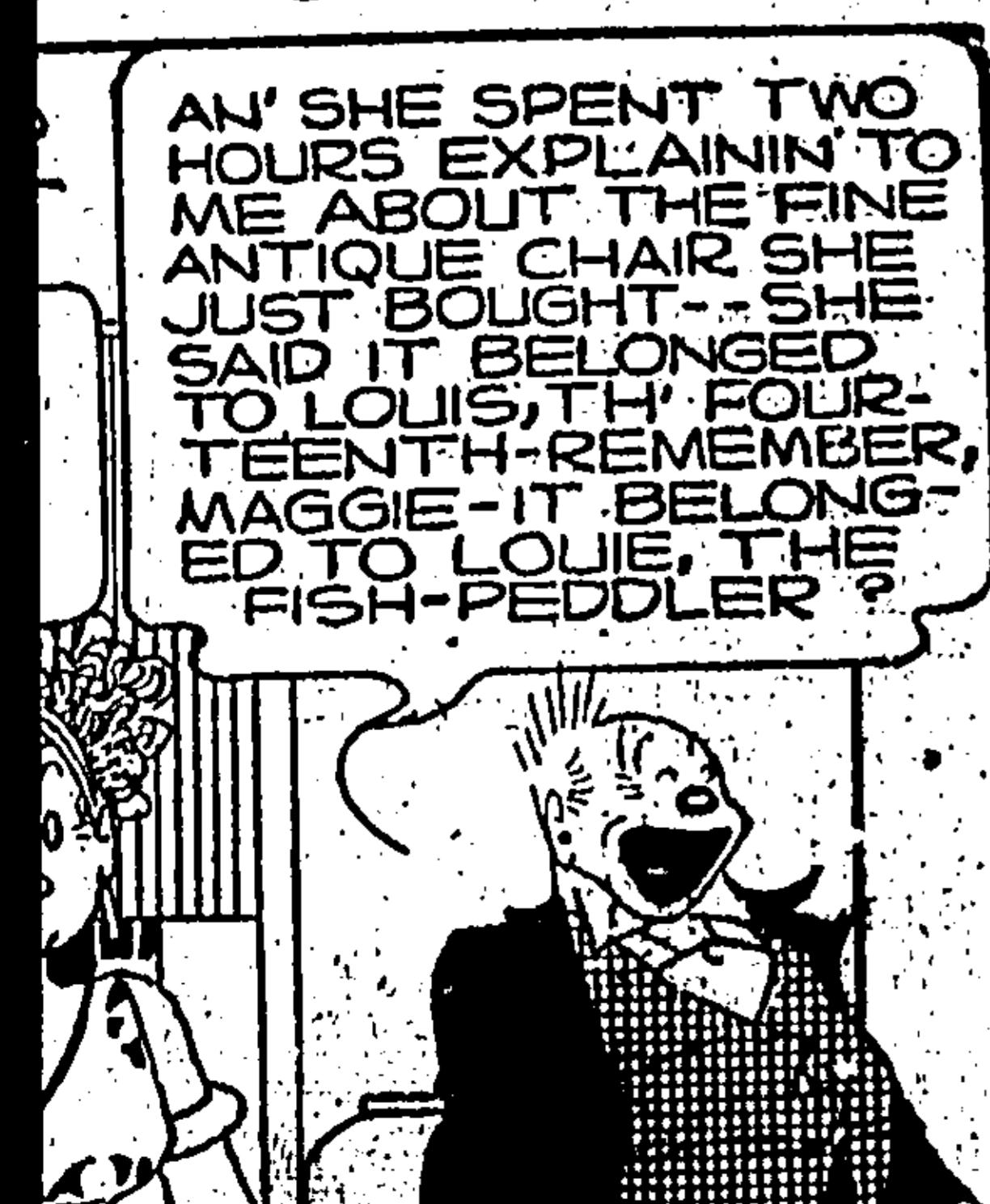
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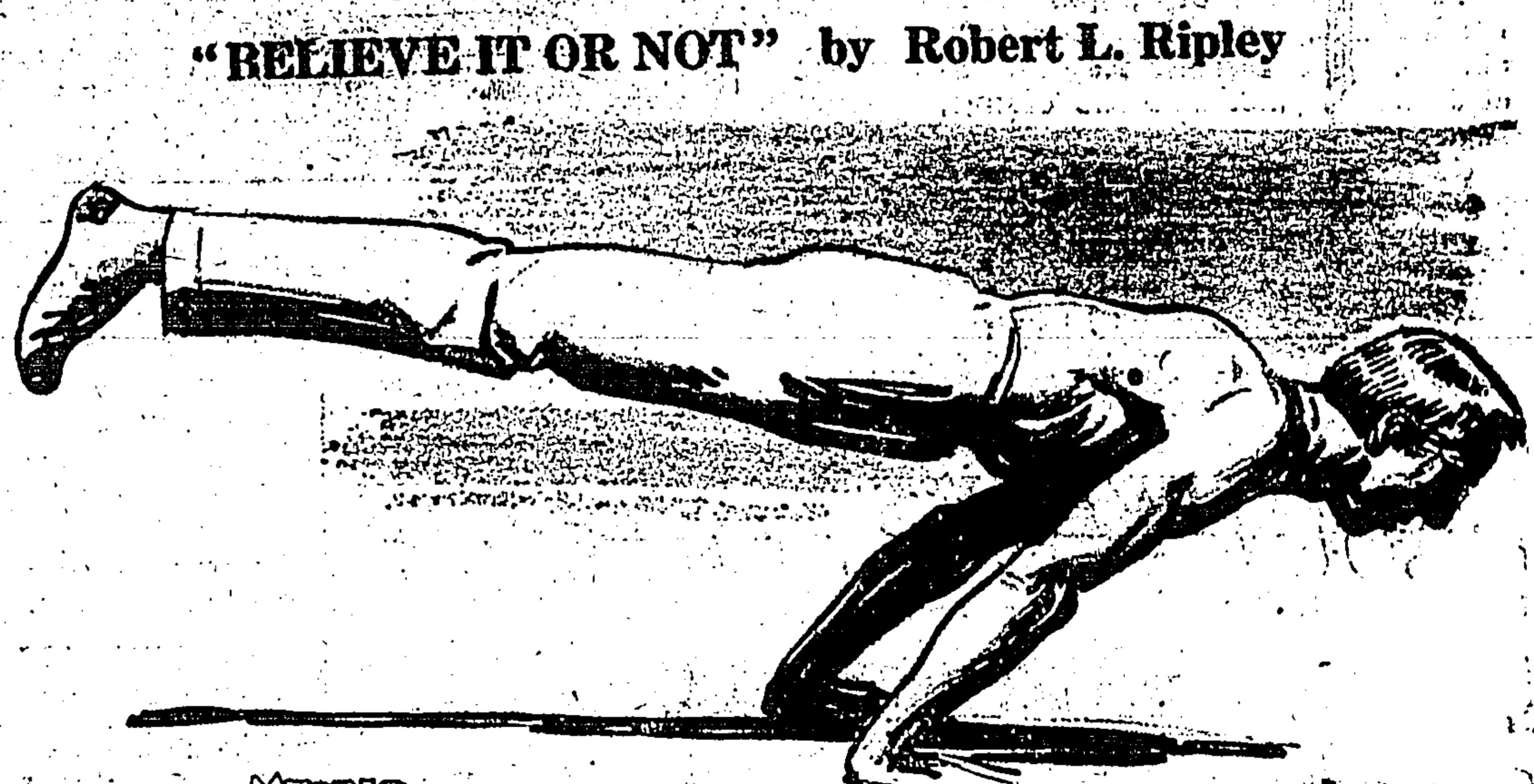
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Coffee Is The Secret Of Many Good Sweets

On the whole, coffee dishes, apart from the layer cake, the coffee-flavoured custard or blancmange, and the coffee ice, do not appear as often as they might at the ordinary home table. This is a pity, for the new generation does not like things that are too sweet, and appreciates strongly flavoured foods.

Numbers of the recipes have been collected by travellers in coffee-loving countries.

This recipe was so good that it led to a bride and bridegroom losing their honeymoon train.

This is the little story told by the bride. The sweet had appeared at the wedding feast of her grandmother and at that of her mother, and in course of time the family insisted that it should be served to guests at her own wedding reception.

So much did the guests appreciate it that the bride, having a half-hour to spare before her train was due to depart, began writing out the recipe for guests who clamoured for it. Result, the train was lost! Here is the recipe:

Take one cupful sugar, one cupful boiling water, one cupful strong coffee, one cupful whipped cream, $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoonful salt.

Boil the sugar and water together for five minutes. Add the coffee and salt, cool, then fold in the stiffly whipped cream. When quite cold, serve in tall glasses, with a spoonful of whipped cream on top of each, and garnish with preserved cherries.

LIQUEUR COFFEE JELLY

Three-quarters of a pint clear black coffee, two glasses sherry, about 1 oz. leaf gelatine (read instructions), juice of one orange, sugar to taste.

Gelatines should be used according to instructions on packet. Take required amount of gelatine to set one pint. Dissolve in a little of the warmed coffee. Stir in all ingre-

dients and sweeten to taste. Strain through fine muslin into a wetted mould to remove any small grains of coffee remaining. Put aside in a cool place till set and serve with home table.

ICED COFFEE

One pint strong coffee, 1 gill clarified syrup, 1 gill scalded milk, $\frac{1}{2}$ pint whipped cream.

To clarify syrup, put $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. loaf sugar with $\frac{1}{2}$ pint water and a little lemon juice into a saucepan. Dissolve sugar, then bring to boiling point. Remove scum, boil for 10 minutes, strain through muslin, then leave till cold.

Mix the coffee, syrup and milk together. Freeze lightly. Add three-quarters of the cream and freeze till mixture is like thick cream. Pour into cups, put a spoonful of cream on top of each, and serve with finger or wafer biscuits.

For special occasions a small glass of cognac may be added in the freezer.

COFFEE CREME BRULEE

The Continental creme brulee is



Coffee cakes made with sponge and given a coffee cream filling and coffee icing on top are one of the better known forms of coffee cookery in the home. The use of marmons glaces in their decoration gives them new interest and also makes the coffee cake quite suitable as a luncheon sweet. The photograph shows an attractive way of using the chestnuts. If liked, a filling of sweetened chestnut puree flavoured with coffee could be used instead of the more general coffee cream.

a custard flavoured with sherry or brandy, with coffee caramel on top.

Beat together 3 eggs with 1 pint of milk and 1 wineglassful of sherry or brandy. Sweeten to taste. Turn into well-buttered baking dish and bake till nicely set.

While it is cooking, prepare the coffee syrup. Put into a saucepan 6 oz. castor sugar and 3 teaspoonfuls of coffee essence or very strong black coffee. Stir over very gentle

Line a cake-tin with waxed paper. Pour a layer of coffee mixture in bottom of tin and cover with layer of wafers. Repeat till coffee mixture is used up. Finish with a layer of wafers.

Place in refrigerator and chill for 12 hours. Turn out on a dish, remove the wax paper and decorate with whipped cream. Serve straight from the refrigerator.

PEANUT CRUNCHIES

The following recipe is of Canadian origin: 5 oz. flour, 4 oz. butter, 4 oz. sugar, 4 oz. shelled peanuts, 1 teaspoonful baking powder, 1 teaspoonful baking powder, 1 teaspoonful coffee flavouring or essence.

Cream butter and sugar. Add flour and baking powder, and lastly the peanuts and coffee flavouring. The mixture must be of a stiff consistency.

Bake in small lumps (resembling rock cakes) on a greased tin in a slow oven till golden brown.

SAGO COFFEE CREAM

Prepare some clear coffee. Put two heaped tablespoonfuls of ground coffee in a heated jug, pour on one pint boiling water, stir well, allow to stand and clear for 10 minutes.

Strain into a saucepan. Add two good tablespoonfuls sago and sweeten with sugar. Heat, stirring continually, and simmer for 10 minutes. Remove from heat, cover with saucepan lid and stand it aside to absorb all the liquid; the sago then becomes clear.

When this is cold beat a large cupful of cream and add it to the sago coffee. Whip well, pour into a glass bowl or individual bowls. Just before serving, decorate the centre with chopped walnut and pistachio nut.

BLACK COFFEE JELLY

Make a jelly by adding gelatine to freshly made strong, unsweetened black coffee. Strain into a border mould.

When set, turn out and fill the centre with cream, whipped stiffly with plenty of castor sugar.

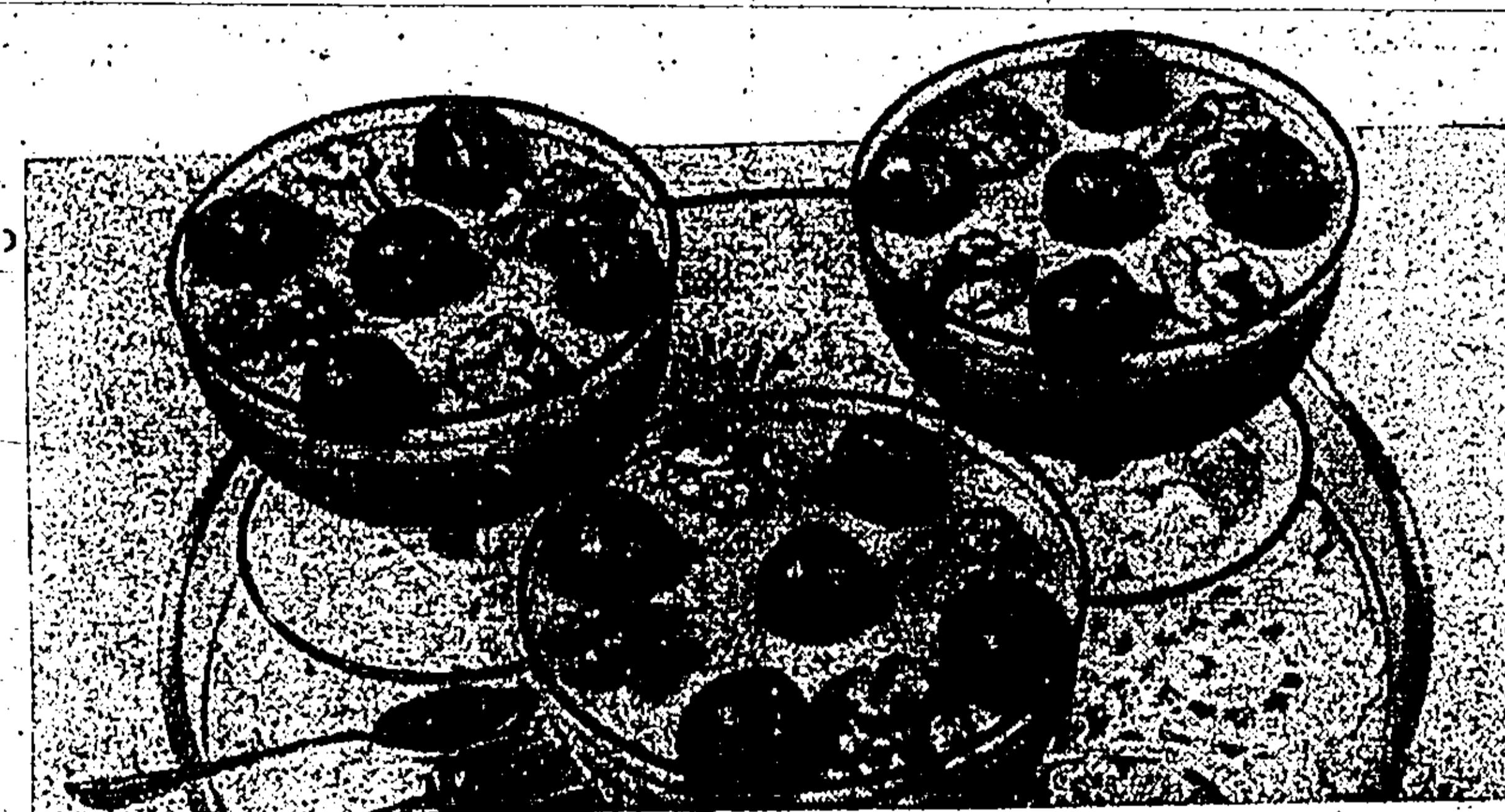
AN ITALIAN SWEET

The advantage of this simple lunch or dinner sweet is that it requires no cooking and is easily prepared in five minutes.

Ingredients: Devonshire cream, freshly ground coffee grains, castor sugar and sherry.

According to the number of persons serve sufficient cream in a glass bowl, with freshly ground coffee grains and sugar in separate dishes. Each person helps himself to cream and adds about half a teaspoonful coffee grains and sugar, and lastly about one tablespoonful sherry, or according to his own tastes.

Mix together and eat with sponge fingers or crisp biscuits.



This delectable-looking sweet served in individual glasses is simple enough for the nursery and yet sufficiently important looking to take its place in a party dinner menu. An ordinary custard is flavoured with black coffee and decorated with whole preserved cherries and halves of walnuts.

heat till sugar is a syrup and then boil for 3 minutes. Take custard from oven and pour over. Put under griller and cook till top caramelizes. Serve either hot or cold. The coffee flavour with the sherry custard is extremely nice.

COFFEE EGG AND MILK

Convalescents sometimes take a dislike to egg and milk. Prepared in the following way the egg cannot be detected.

Make $\frac{1}{2}$ pint strong coffee, scald 1 pint milk and add to the coffee. Beat an egg till very frothy, then gradually add the scalding coffee and milk, stirring the mixture all the time. Finally beat the mixture with an egg whisk till light and frothy.

COFFEE-CHOCOLATE

Dissolve 4 oz. sweet chocolate in four tablespoonfuls strong black coffee. Allow it to cool, then fold in the stiffly beaten whites of two eggs.

Decorate with whipped cream and crystallized cherries.

REFRIGERATOR CAKE

Ingredients: Vanilla ice-cream wafers, 1 large tin full-cream sweetened condensed milk, $\frac{1}{4}$ pint strong black coffee, sugar to sweeten if necessary.

Mix the condensed milk in a basin with the strong black coffee. Add castor sugar to sweeten if necessary. Stir the mixture in the basin over a pan of boiling water for five minutes.

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Motive power will be the influencing factor in many lives this day. Transportation troubles due largely to carelessness, may bring trouble to many people, so if you are driving any kind of a vehicle you should exercise unusual caution. Speedy movements, or trying to do things in double-quick time, are likely to be the underlying cause of many of the day's accidents. Whatever you have to say, in any matter involving

sentiment, let it be sincere. Straightforwardness will be the only method that can be practiced successfully this day, in social or business circles, if you are depending on words to put anything over. Want of symmetry in things of an artistic nature must be guarded against, for distortions, due to poor vision or faulty lightning, are apt to prove offensive to discriminating eyes. Married and engaged couples, as well as those who are under the magic spell of love, will find it well worthwhile to be demonstrative in their affections, to-day.

If a woman and December 7 is your birthday, in any partnership, with probably the exception of matrimony, your desire to dominate and regulate may make you experience a sense of dissatisfactions; so perhaps you should try to work alone. You must not get into the habit of looking on the gloomy side of things. A sufficient amount of faith and hope, on your part, might enable you to accomplish wonders. As a lecturer, interior decorator, tea room, or gift shop manager,

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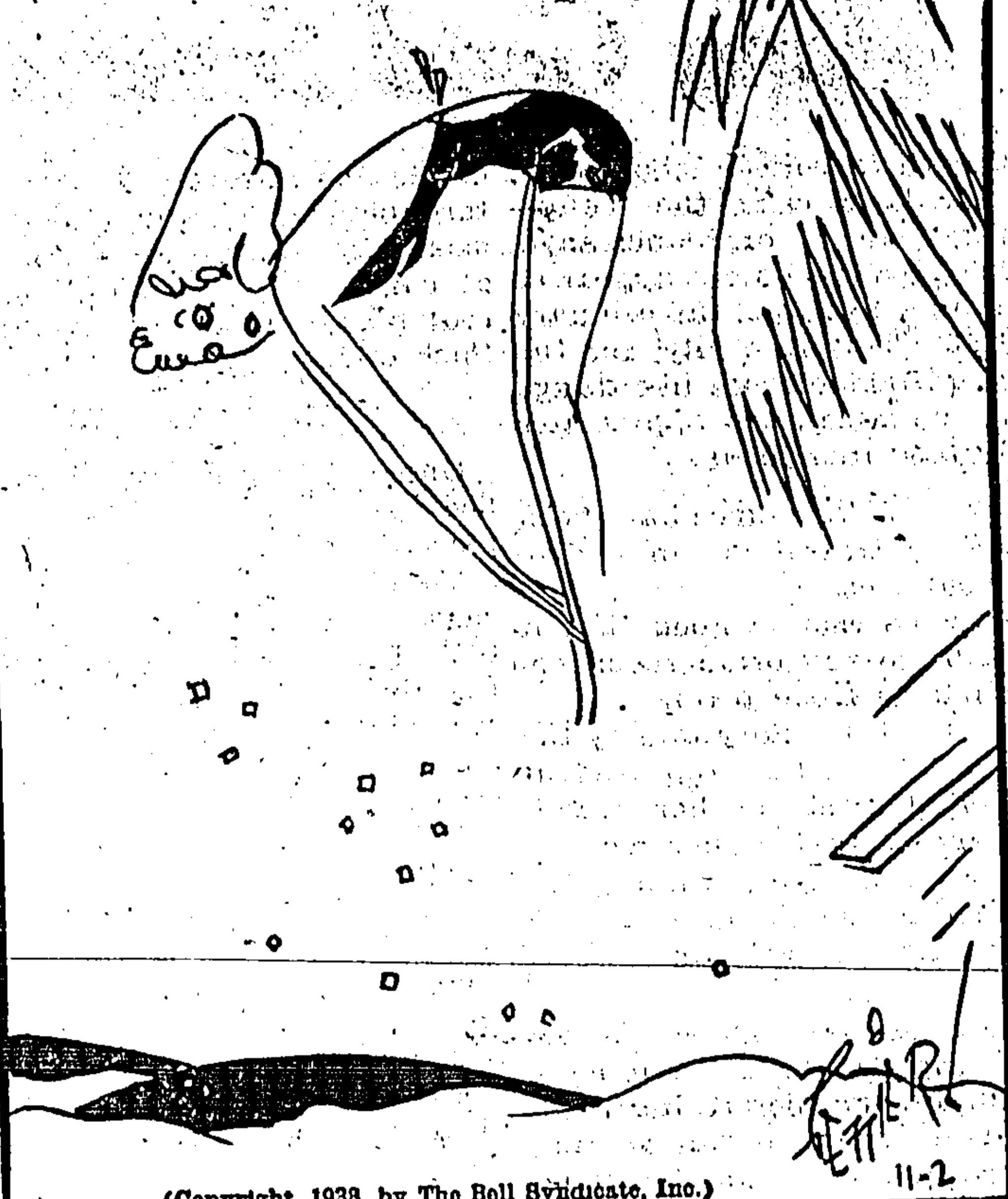
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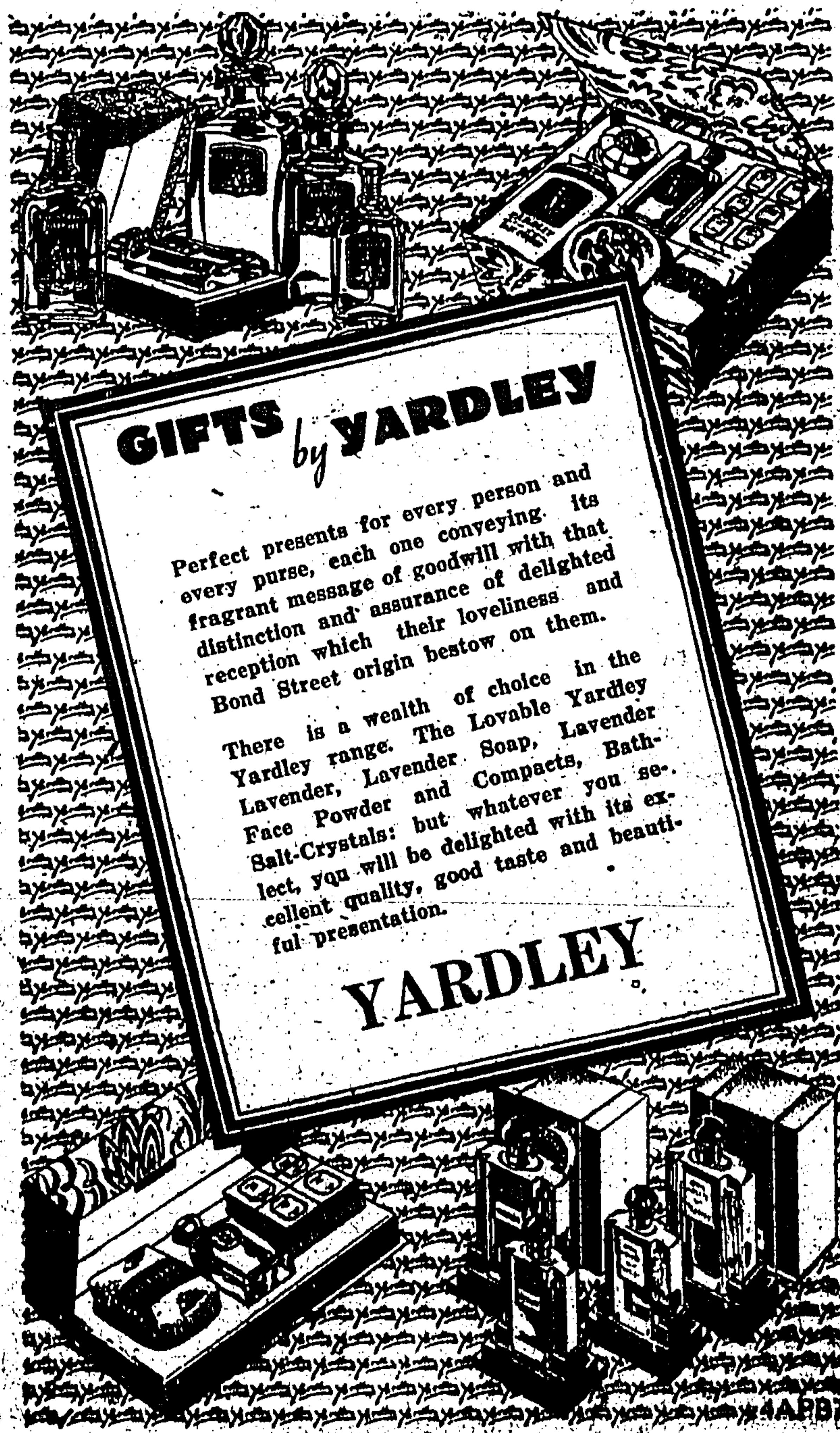


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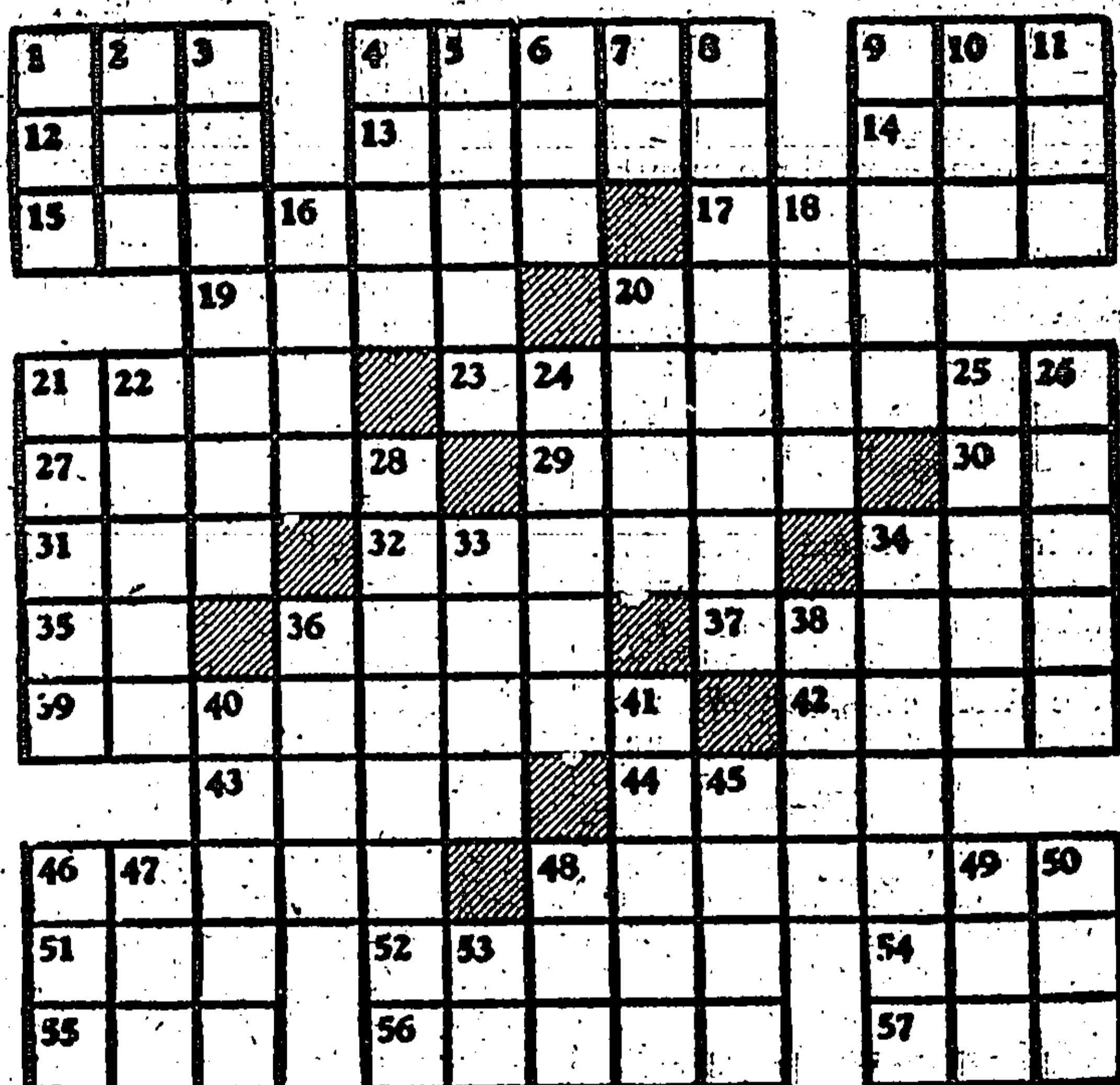
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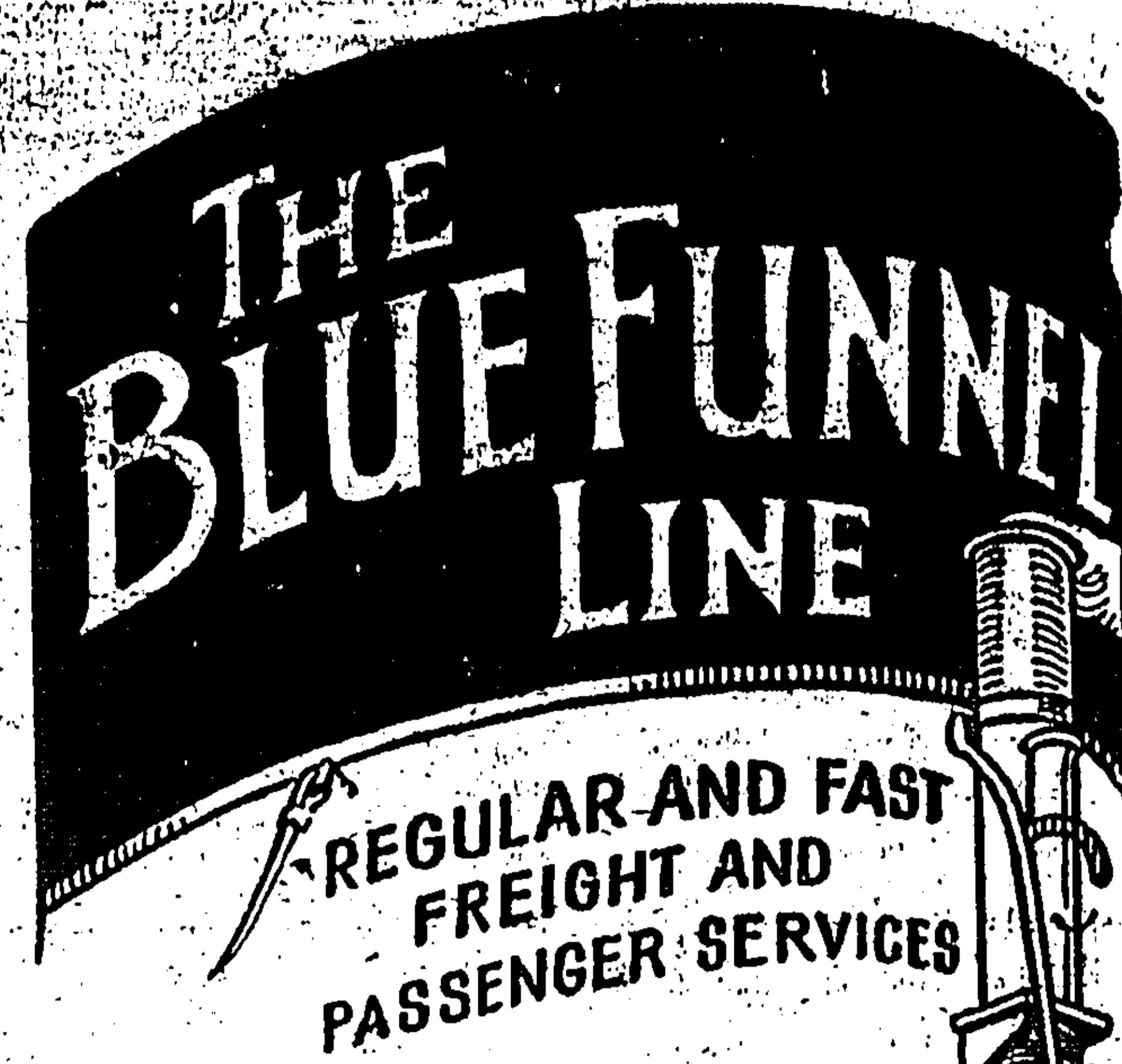
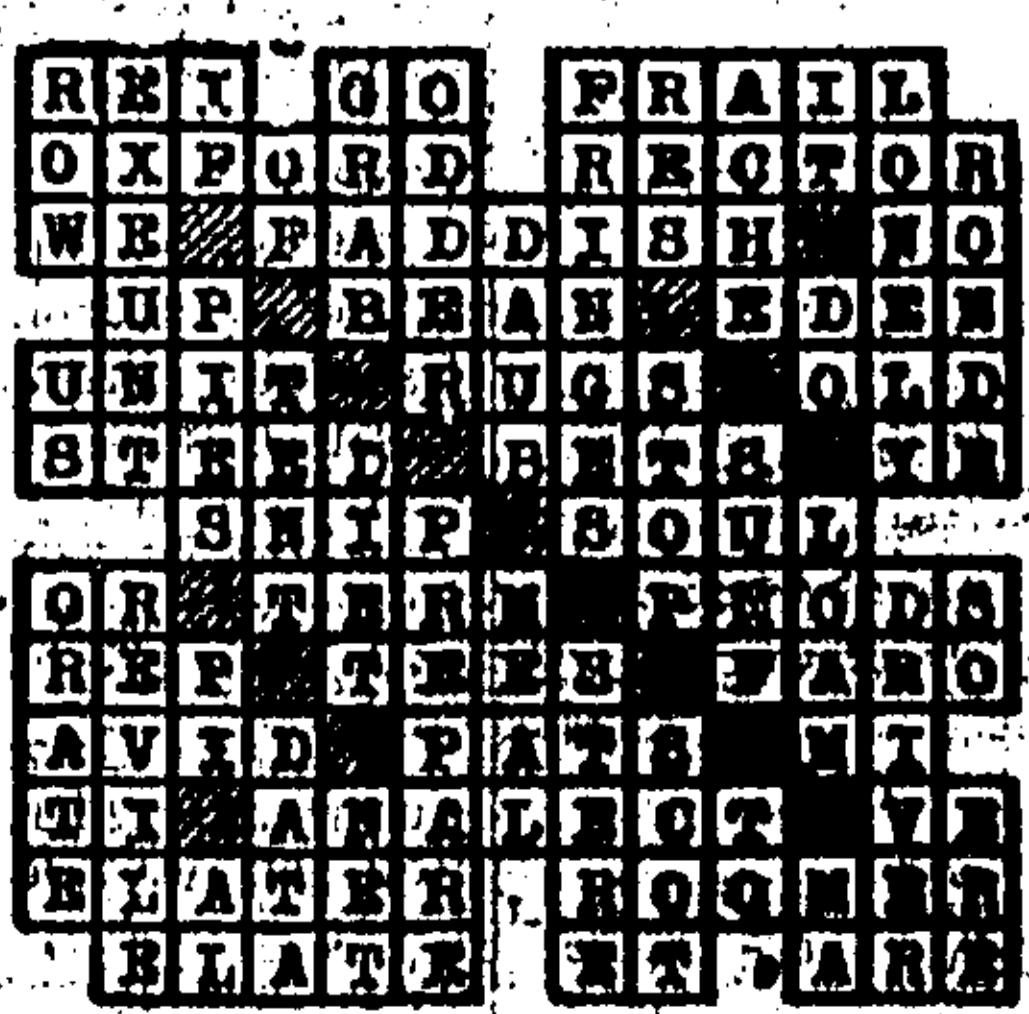
1 Palm leaf (variant)
4 Toll
9 Cry of crow
12 To tear
13 To become useful
14 "Uncle Tom" heroine
15 Petitions
17 Storms
19 Orient
20 Lacking sharpness
21 Wing-like
22 Bivalves
27 Thickets
29 Off
30 Pronoun
31 To recline
32 Gibe
34 Turn left
35 Teutonic deity
36 Weights of India
37 To expunge
39 Delivered
42 Maple genus
43 Crooked
44 Glass
46 Genus of plants
48 Reptiles

51 Number
52 Lodger
54 Guido's high note
55 To suppose
56 Anglo-Saxon serif
57 Wicked deed

VERTICAL
1 Anglo-Saxon money
2 Brim
3 To calm
4 Hawaiian wreath
5 Dills
6 Public vehicle

7 Conjunction
8 To keep in order
9 Musical instrument
10 Hail!
11 Existed
16 Gay time
18 Associate
20 Morn
21 More adept
22 French river
24 Reason
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26 Drain
28 Part of ship
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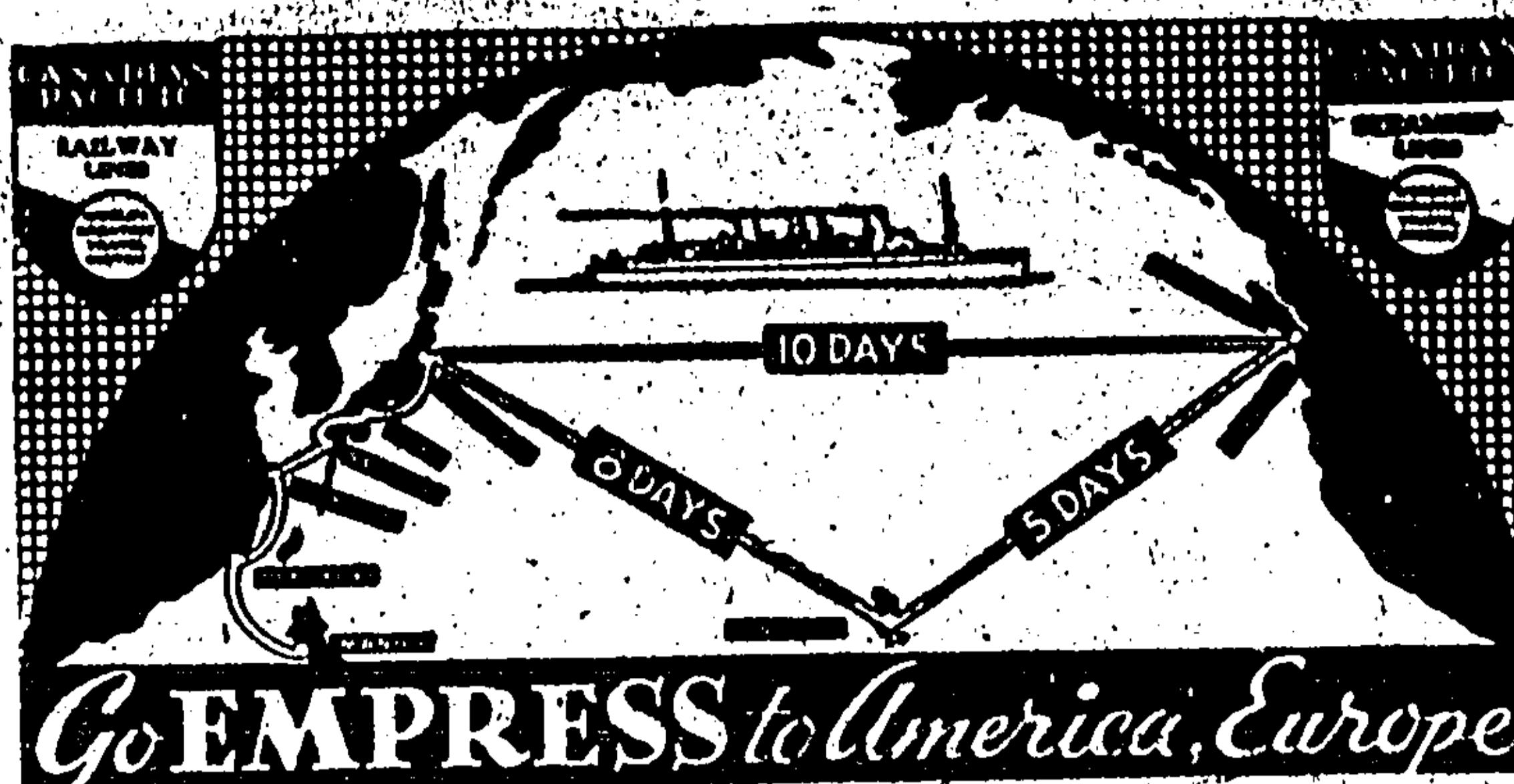
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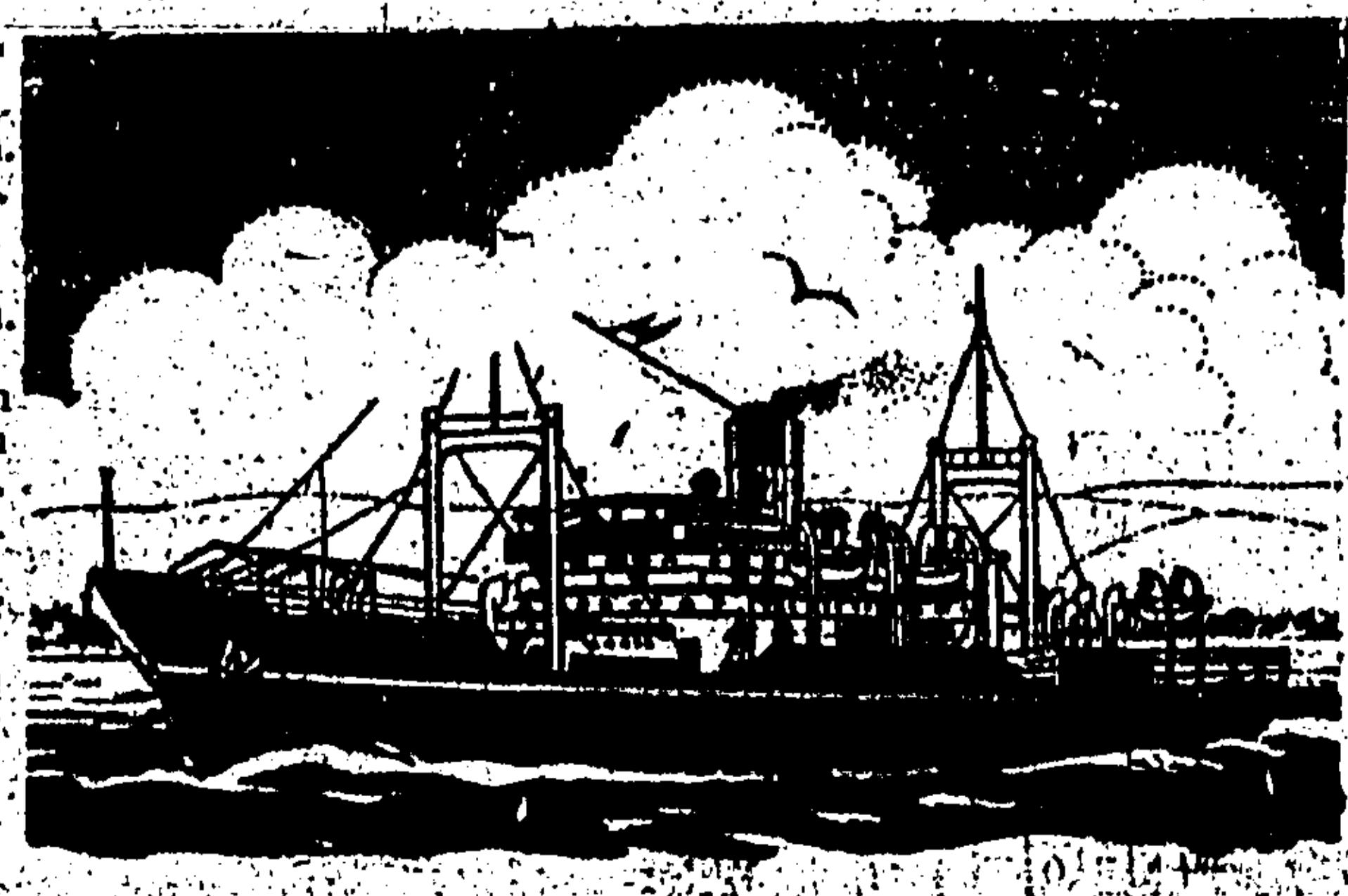
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FALSE PRETENCES

Kwok Ki, aged 35, unemployed, was brought before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy this morning, on a charge of obtaining money by false pretences from Li Ming, Tam Cheong, and Li Pin-chiu.

It was said that defendant obtained \$5 in Hong Kong money from Li Ming, on July 26, saying that he could get a hawker's licence for complainant. On August 6, he repeated the trick, and obtained \$9 and \$10 from Tam and Li, respectively.

Defendant admitted all charges and was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

**SENNET FRERES
ROBBERY**

Appearing on remand before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning, Chan Ping alias Chan Chi-leung, was charged with the theft of two diamond rings, valued at \$3,800 from Sennet Freres on November 29, and also charged with receiving, and illegally pawning.

Owing to insufficient evidence defendant was discharged.

The first meeting of the Chamber Concert Club will be held at Government House on Tuesday next at 6.30 p.m. The programme, arranged by Mr. Lindsay A. Lafford, will consist of two trios played by Miss Prue Lewis, S. Ettore Pellegratti, L.R.A.M., and Mr. Lindsay A. Lafford F.R.C.O. Beethoven's Trio in E flat major (Opus I. No. 1) and Zanella's Trio in E minor (op. 23). In addition Mr. Gaston D'Aquino will sing a group of songs.

Admission to this meeting of the Club is limited to members, subscribers and the guests of subscribers. The membership fee of \$5 for six concerts has been kept as low as possible so that no person interested in chamber music need be excluded. Those able to do so are asked to join not as members, but as guarantor subscribers and to pay \$25, for which they gain admission for themselves and one guest to each of the concerts. The higher rate of subscription over membership fee is intended to serve as a donation to enable the Club to carry through its scheme of about six concerts during the present season.

Membership fees and subscriptions should be sent to Mr. D. J. Sloss, Vice-Chancellor's Lodge, The University of Hong Kong. Additional members and subscribers are needed to enable the Committee to carry through its project.

**GAMBLING HOUSE
RAID**

Shortly after eight o'clock last night Sergeant Edwards with his raiding party raided No. 18, Bulkeley Street where twelve persons were arrested.

This morning at the Kowloon Magistracy, Chan Cheung, aged 28, unemployed, and the other eleven persons were charged before Mr. E. Hinsworth with keeping a common gaming school and with gambling on the premises respectively.

The keeper, Chan Cheung, was fined \$50 and the gamblers were each fined \$2.

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Border-Commissioner Baldwin left the Brazilian border on an expedition into British Guiana, led by Mr. Emmet Blake, professor at a Chicago museum.

"We took a boat up the Corentyne River," he said, "with four assistants. A hundred and fifty miles up-river we encountered rapids and the boat over-turned.

"Blake and I swam to a rock in the middle of the river and managed to help the others ashore.

SWAM THROUGH RAPIDS

"The boat hurtled over the rapids and we were marooned on a small rocky island with apparently no chance of rescue and food that would last a few weeks at most. One of the four assistants, an engineer named Primus, volunteered to swim ashore.

"Primus meanwhile hacked his way through the jungle and reached an Indian settlement and persuaded the natives to set out with a rescue expedition.

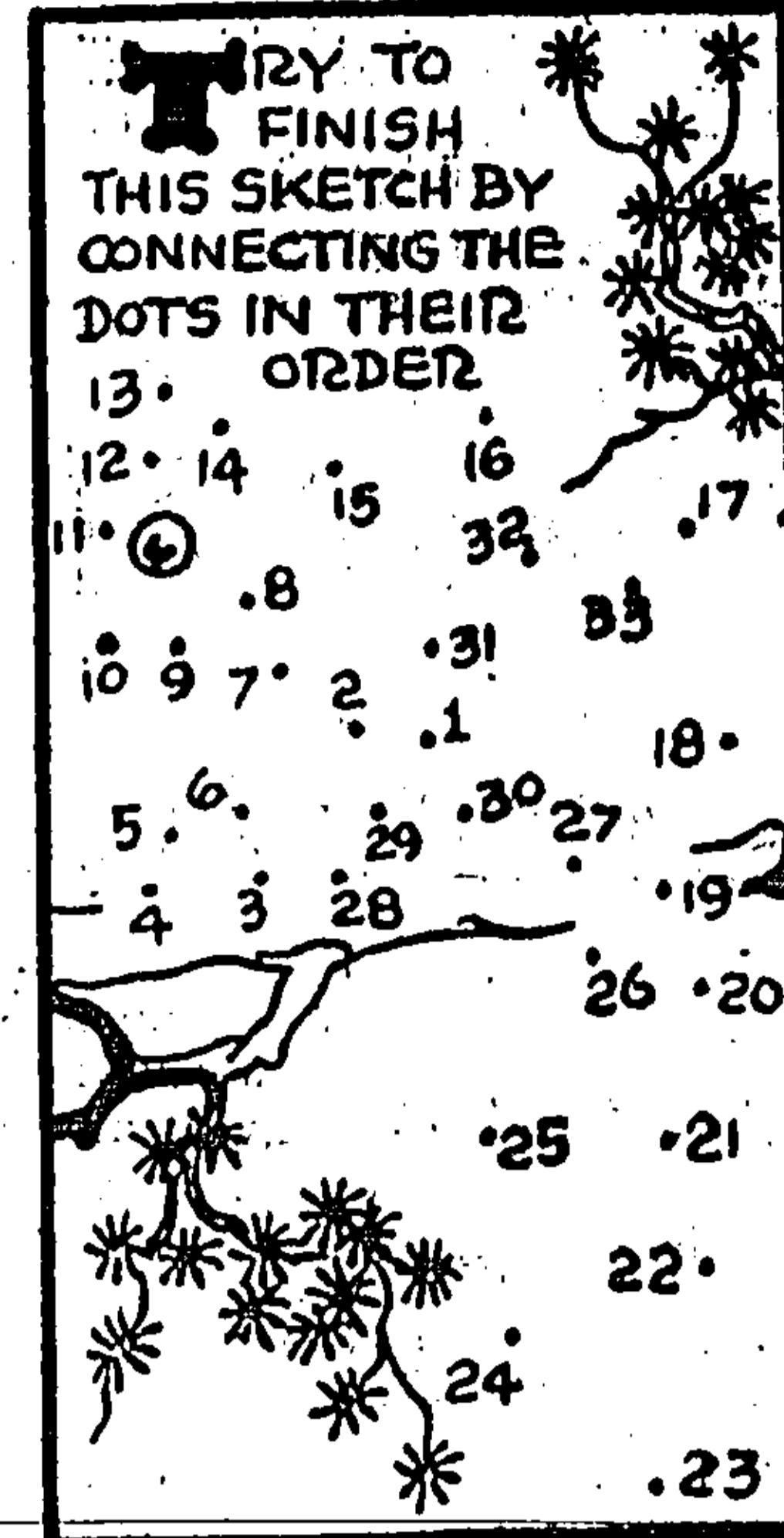
"To our joy six Indians came in canoes down the river and rescued us when we were on the point of starvation."

GREEK STEAMERS AT GIBRALTAR

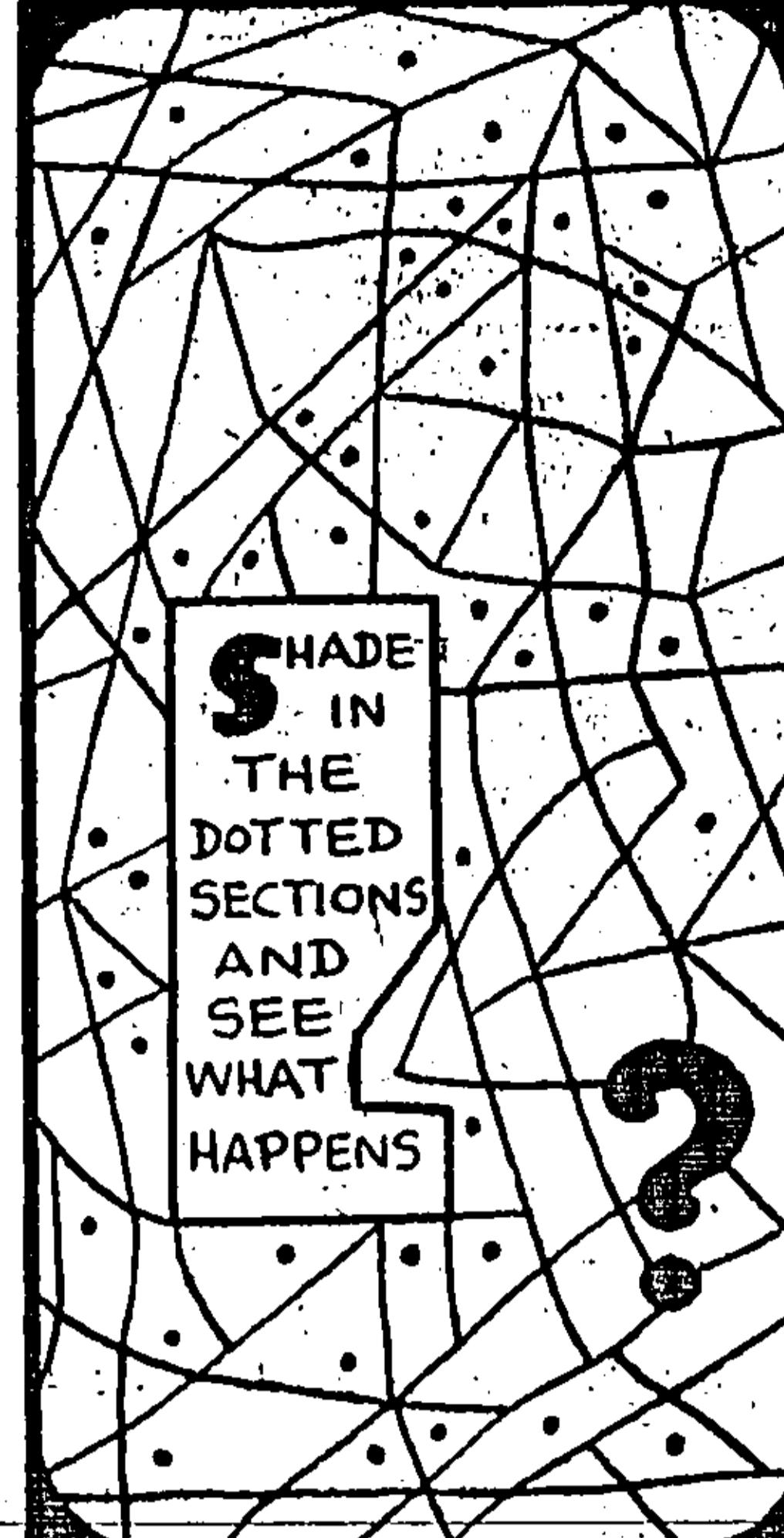
London, To-day.
Both Greek wheat steamers seized by the naval forces of General Franco and taken to Palma di Mallorca, arrived at Gibraltar yesterday, states "The Times."

These vessels when seized were conveying Rumanian wheat to England and their detention had led to British protests in Burgos. — Trans-Ocean.

CHILDREN'S PUZZLE



Answer to yesterday's puzzle:



PREMIER HOLDS

London, To-day.

In again declining to make a statement in advance on subjects which might be discussed during his visit to Rome, the Prime Minister told a Commons questioner that no communications had taken place with the Italian Government concerning administration of the Suez Canal.

He added in a supplementary answer that it would be natural to discuss with the French Government any proposal for a change in that connexion.—British Wireless.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar to-day was 1/2-7/8.

"Spot" silver was quoted in London at 20-1/8 and forward at 19-7/16.

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MATTING WKTS. MOOTED FOR LOCAL CRICKET GROUNDS



R. E. LEE . . . Bowling consistently well at the moment.

From reports received from various cricket grounds over the weekend, it appears fairly obvious that the prolonged absence of rain is having a nasty effect on wickets.

A stay of any length in Hong Kong accustoms one to hard and fast wickets on which fast bowling is inclined to fly around a bit, but this season, with less rain than usual, wickets are probably now as bad as they have ever been.

It may be revolutionary even to make the suggestion but I honestly think that standards would be kept from deteriorating even more than they have done already through sheer funk, if matting wickets were introduced to all but about three clubs in the Colony.

The big achievements of the week were credited to Lieut. Manners, of Royal Navy, and F. J. Lay, of Diocesan School. The former seems to have settled down very nicely to conditions out here and should continue to make a heap of runs, while Lay is definitely one of the finest schoolboy bats every turned out by a local school.

BY "ADREM"

Manners' 94, out of a total of 142, however, failed carry the Naval score beyond the 154 for 9 dec. compiled by Club, who emerged victorious by 12 runs. For Club G. P. Longfield hit hard and often for 63 and Haymes took 5 for 14 and made 32. Kyrke, the Navy express captured 5 wickets at a cost of 47 runs.

THIS IS

BURGUNDY WEATHER

WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND

OUR FINE SELECTION OF

VINTAGE BURGUNDIES

THE QUALITY AND EXCELLENCE

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UNSURPASSED IN HONG KONG.

CALDBECK'S

Gosano which went off the shoulder of the bat, off the wicket-keeper's glove, off to first slip, finally to be snapper up by second slip an inch off the ground.

E. F. Fincher, who succeeded, settled down quickly and played two beautiful leg shots between fine-leg and square-leg. After a quiet period, he then became impatient and started to hit at everything, eventually be caught by Reed off Pereira, who arrived late and relieved L. G. Gosano.

Flashing Off-Drives

Meanwhile, R. T. Broadbridge, although uncomfortable against Eddie Gosano, was playing the other bowlers very correctly, interspersing long periods of purely defensive play with an occasional flashing off-drive. After he was dismissed, only Lloyd did anything, and he was not out with 19.

E. L. Gosano, A. P. Pereira and A. M. Prata shared the wickets. I feel that L. G. Gosano, a left-hander with a very easy action, with a little coaching, would be their best trundler. At the moment is inclined to be a little mechanical and does not mix them up at all.

Set to score only 77 for a win, Recreio started disastrously and lost their first three wickets to Robbie Lee for only three runs. Reed pushed a sitter to Lloyd at second-slip, Gosano was bowled neck and crop by a yorker and P. M. N. da Silva was caught behind the sticks by Freddie Broadbridge, who has been performing as Aunt Sally in recent matches.

Thereafter it was one long procession and it was left to John Goncalves, who, rumour had it, was playing an innings for the first time in his life, to make 12, the second highest score of the innings, and give K.C.C. one or two anxious moments towards the end.

Army Trounced

At Sookunpoo, the Army, without the majority of their Middlesex players, were given a severe trouncing by I.R.C. The soldiers batted first and could only manage 77 to which Capt. Godby made 25, and Sgt. Painter 34. The wickets were fairly evenly distributed between Nazarin, Minu, Madar, Bakar and Rumjahn.

I.R.C. had little difficulty in knocking off the required runs, Nazarin, Kitchell and A. H. Madar all getting a few.

D.B.S. added yet another club scalp to their now impressive list when they beat a Craiggengower "A" team by 14 runs. As usual Francis Lay and Crary were chiefly responsible.

Lay, whose figures in his last three games do not require reproduction, found the boundary on 10 occasions in scoring 65, while former headmaster Sargent, and present headmaster Goodban scored 37 and 46 not out, respectively.

This was definitely Mr. Sargent's last match. He was consecrated as a bishop recently and sailed for Foochow yesterday afternoon leaving behind him a record of enthusiasm for cricket which is reflected in the present school side, one of the finest and most successful for many years.

To revert to the game, Craiggengower, given a good start Duggie Hung, got to within striking distance of the 170 runs required for victory but were unable to quite get there.

Crary bowled very steadily for 6 for 47 and his old head, proved an excellent foil for him while taking 3 for 51.

The Gosano Family!

Kowloon Juniors had a narrow squeak against Club de Recreio Juniors, whom they entertained at Cox's Road. The visitors had difficulty in raising a side owing to the fact that Races were on. Accordingly they recruited some of the more youthful Gosanos. It was just as well they did. G. Gosano made 47 and "J" took 3 for 8. Other Recreio players who did anything were R. Soares (31) and R. Soares (2 for 15).

For Kowloon, Gray and B. D. Lay made 26 and 18 respectively but these scores excepting, there was little over which to enthuse.

At H.K.C.C., Police were given a good beating up by Club Juniors. Chief interest in this match, however, was the appearance of Brian Fay, an A.S.P. who recently arrived in the Colony.

Although he did not make many runs on Saturday, he created such a favourable impression that I have heard him described by more than one source as an Interpreter in the making.

On Saturday, he played some beautiful scoring shots all round the wicket and later showed himself to be a fast bowler of high class.

I understand that he was tried for Kent 2nd. XI in 1935 and last season played for the Henden Police College XI. It is unfortunate that he will not be available in many matches this season owing to the fact that he will be residing in Macao, where he is studying Chinese.

To get back to the match. Police batted first and only J. L. Stephens and Fay were able to do very much against the bowling of Robb, recently returned from leave, who took 6 for 25.

Club passed their opponents' score of 79 for the loss of only 8 wickets and then went on to make 158 for 7, R. M. M. King (64 not out) and V. C. Bond being highest scorers.

In the other three matches, I.R.C. juniors beat Army 2nd. XI by 8 wickets, University beat Queen's College by 8 wickets and Civil Service beat R.A.M.C. by 6 wickets.

INTERNATIONAL SWIMMING CONTEST

"REVIEWER'S" SPORTS COMMENTARY

Accidents On Golf Courses

Two recent legal actions, both, as it happens, in Irish Courts, have come so quickly one on the heels of the other as to suggest that golf is a more dangerous game than it really is. In relation to the number of strokes played on courses in these islands in any year, and bearing in mind the fact that expert players are a very small percentage of the golf community, accidents are fortunately few, but the decision given against Cliftonville Club in Belfast is one that carries a warning to clubs generally as regards the arrangement of their courses. In this case a player on the seventh green was hit (with the consequent loss of an eye) by a player pulling a drive from the eighth tee, and was awarded £1500 damages against the club. The seventh green was partly screened by bushes. The club were held to be negligent in the design and construction of the course, and in their failure to exhibit warning notices, but no blame attached to the player who pulled his drive.

Individual golfers will, as regards the latter finding, say with Hamlet, "For this relief much thanks." If with our every stroke there was a chance of such financial liability golf would be for most of us too expensive to risk, for even a Walker Cup golfer had, of course, to inform a Dublin Court in reply to a query that could hardly have been put from a more knowledgeable Scottish Bench, that he did not know when he was going to slice. As for being struck ourselves, we must take the obvious risks; in the Belfast case, the danger at the seventh green was not "obvious." In a good many years of professional spectatorship I have only once been nearly hard hit; that was at Hoylake from a hooked drive by a famous player whose ball went over the heads of the lined-up spectators and actually passed between the heads of a colleague and myself. Had that ball contacted with me my only consolation, in view of the obvious risk, would have been to show my bump (in the manner of a Tom Webster cartoon) with the proud intimation "That's a Hagen."

Greenkeeping Research

With the issue, just to hand, of the Journal of the Board of Greenkeeping Research, Volume V of this valuable publication is completed, and an index for the four numbers comprising the volume is given. An increasing number of golfers are now taking an interest in the condition and improvement of their courses, and in the many activities of the Research Board, which relies chiefly upon the support of the clubs through the different National Unions. It is an enterprise about which golfers generally should inform themselves, and no doubt the direct assistance being rendered to courses in all parts of the country by the experts of the research station at Bingley, both by personal visits and written advice, should have its effect.

The range of operations at Bingley is indicated in the latest Journal. Experiments have been carried out, for instance, for comparing worm killers and their efficiency, and these are described, while Corticum disease in lawns and sports grounds and a small group sometimes found in lawns and confused with leather jackets are the subjects of articles. In view of the abandonment of the Deal course for this year's Open Championship, an article on effects of sea water flooding on soil is of special interest and Mr. H. B. Dawson, the station Director, as the result of a visit to Belgium and Holland, draws comparisons between the golf turf conditions there and in this country. The price of the Journal is 8s 9d. post free.

Proposed Anglo-Danish Contest

INVITATION EVENTS WILL SEE PICK OF EUROPE

AN England-Denmark swimming and water polo contest next year, on similar lines to the England-Germany match of 1937, is a proposition the Empire Swimming Club are putting before the Amateur Swimming Association. The Empire Club will finance the venture, and they now await the A.S.A. sanction before going on with the plans.

The contest, if it takes place, would be arranged for the Empire Pool, Wembley, and would last two days. The dates suggested are June 16-17 or July 7-8. Wembley have now promoted big international shows for the past two years, and it is evident by this proposal that they mean to carry on with the good work. I can see nothing in the way of the A.S.A. accepting an England-Denmark contest, for they have everything to gain and nothing to lose.

These international matches are useful in that they give English swimmers experience. That has been the trouble in the past. British swimmers do not get the competition against Continentals, whereas frequent internationals take place in Europe. To represent England in an international is the aim of all swimmers, and with more contests it will give them an incentive to train harder. The standard of swimming in this country has for a considerable time been well below that of the Continent, but we showed in the European championships that we are improving.

HER WOMEN SWIMMERS

Denmark is notable for her women swimmers, among them being the greatest swimmer of all time. Miss Ragnhild Hveger, the blonde, seventeen-year-old girl, who carried off both the European 100 metres and 400 metres titles at Wembley in August, putting up a new world mark in the latter event.

Empire Swimming Club's plans do not stop at England v. Denmark. They intend to run their annual tournament in the same programme. Their 1939 tournament, as planned at present, will be the most ambitious they have held. They hope to have, more or less, a repetition of the European finals. All the reigning champions, with the exception of Miss Hveger and several of the finalists, will be invited. Miss Hveger has been omitted so as to make the races more open. She has established herself on such a high pinnacle in world swimming that she would be almost certain to sweep the board in the women's events. Empire S.C. fear that her appearance might tend to keep the other stars away. Nevertheless, it is almost certain that Miss Hveger will represent Denmark in the proposed international if circumstances permit.

PROBABLE COMPETITORS

Among the Continental swimmers it is proposed to invite to take part in the Empire tournament are:

Men's 100 metres—K. Hoving (Holland), the European champion; H. Fischer (Germany); B. Borg (Sweden); Nakache (France). 400 metres—Borg, European champion; W. Plath (Germany); Talli (France); D. van der Kuil (Holland). 100 metres back-stroke—H. Schlauch (Germany), European champion; J. C. Sheffer (Holland). Breast stroke—J. Balke (Germany), European champion; Nakache (France); H. Smitshuzen (Holland).

Women's 100 metres—B. Ove-Petersen (Denmark); R. van Veen (Holland). 400 metres—R. van Veen (Holland); F. Careon (Belgium). 100 metres back-stroke—C. Kint (Holland), European champion; Ove-Petersen. Breast-stroke—I. Sorenson (Denmark), European champion; J. Wanberg (Holland); Van de Kerchove (Belgium).

The England-Germany match will again take place next year. It will be a biennial contest, and Germany will be the hosts. No date has been fixed, but the A.S.A. are expecting to have one to put before the committee when they meet on November 26.

The world record-breaking 100 metres back-stroke swim of Miss C. Kint at Copenhagen did not come as a surprise. Since she came into prominence with a victory over the Olympic champion and world record-holder, Miss N. Senff, she has made a meteoric rise to fame.



R.H.K.G.C. CAPTAIN'S CUP COMPETITION

Draw For Mates

Play Stages

The following is the draw of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club Captain's Cup, competition 1938, (match play stages):

First Round:

D. S. Edward (4) v W. J. S. Key (7). W. Hewitt (15) v A. McKellar (8). H. Overy (20) v A. C. I. Bowker (10). F. Groves (4) v T. Megarry (12). N. L. Smith (11) v J. W. Alabaster (15). A. Nicol (18) v A. M. Mack (15). J. S. Dunnett (14) v L. C. F. Bellamy (22). W. J. E. Mackenzie (18) v H. N. Williamson (13).

The first named in each bracket is the challenger and is responsible for arranging dates. Handicaps as above throughout.

The first round must be played on or before January 1, 1939, the second round on or before January 15, the semi-final round on or before January 29 and the final on or before February 12.

LOCAL TENNIS PLAYERS

SAIGON TOURNEY

With a view to sending a representative team to Saigon, in January, for the Far Eastern Tennis Championships to be held under the auspices of the Saigon Lawn Tennis Federation, the Hong Kong Lawn Tennis Association have circularised local ranking players to inquire whether players can make the trip if selected.

The players circularised by the Association were:

Tsui Wai-pui (singles and doubles champion), Tsui Yun-pui (co-holder with brother of doubles title), S. A. Rumjahn, H. D. Rumjahn, W. A. H. Duff, Tennie Kwok, Paul Kong, E. C. Fincher, L. Goldman, M. W. Lo, Lee Wai-tong, W. C. Hung, Ho Kar-lau, Lai Kwong-tsung, J. W. Leonard and A. E. P. Guest.

RECREIO LADIES ARE MUCH TOO GOOD

Ladies' Badminton League

Two matches was held last night in the Ladies' section of the Badminton League. Recreio "B" defeating St. Andrew's Ladies by 8 sets to 1 while Recreio "A" beat European "Y" by 9 clear sets.

Scores were:

Miss S. Remedios and Miss I. Pereira (Recreio "B").

lost to Miss M. Churn and Miss A. E. Greiner 13-21

beat Miss F. and Miss J. Wong 21-15

beat Mrs. M. Anderson and Miss G. White 21-4

Miss A. Noronha and Miss M. Oliveira (Recreio "B").

beat Miss Churn and Miss Greiner 21-9

beat the Misses Wong 21-8

beat Mrs. Anderson and Miss White 21-7

Mrs. A. Sousa and Miss A. Remedios (Recreio "B").

beat Miss Churn and Miss Greiner 21-16

beat the Misses Wong 21-13

beat Mrs. Anderson and Miss White 21-6

OVERWHELMING WIN

Mrs. N. Castro and Miss M. Xavier (Recreio "A").

beat Mrs. Clark and Mrs. Honey 21-2

beat Mr. Read and Mrs. Short 21-9

beat Mr. Hamden and Mrs. Kerr 21-1

Miss O. Ribeiro and Miss M. Ribeiro (Recreio "A").

beat Mrs. Clarke and Mrs. Honey 21-4

beat Mrs. Read and Mrs. Short 21-4

beat Mrs. Hamden and Mrs. Kerr 21-6

Miss C. M. Silva and Miss M. Silva (Recreio "A").

beat Mrs. Clarke and Mrs. Honey 21-10

beat Mrs. Read and Mrs. Short 21-13

beat Mrs. Hamden and Mrs. Kerr 21-9

WALK-OVERS CONCEDED IN LADIES' TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

SEMI-FINALS REACHED

Progress in the Ladies' Singles and Doubles Lawn Tennis Championships, under the auspices of the U.S.R.C., has not been very consistent due mainly to postponements caused through illness.

Mrs. F. Tracey has received a walk-over from Miss J. Grieg, in the Singles, while Mrs. O. Burnett and Miss V. Bradbury have received a walk-over from Miss A. Tylor and Mrs. L. R. Andrewes, the latter being indisposed.

The position as it now stands is as follows:

Singles—(Semi-Finals)

Miss Griffiths v Miss Grieg or Miss Prince.

Mrs. F. Tracey or Mrs. Skinner v Mrs. Clifford.

Doubles—(Semi Finals)

Mrs. Clifford and Miss Griffiths or Miss P. Anderson and Miss Yeung Wai-bun v Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Chiu.

Mrs. Tracey and Mrs. Skinner v Mrs. Burnett and Miss Bradbury.

These outstanding matches will be completed by this week-end and dates for the semi-finals will then be available.

In the Ladies Doubles Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Chiu beat Miss Glendinning and Miss Gorrigan 6-0, and 6-1.

KOWLOON GOLF CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

The following were the results of matches played recently in the Kowloon Golf Club Championship: W. C. Simpson beat A. A. Lopes 6 and 5.

G. P. Murphy beat T. Lamb at the 20th.

T. B. Low beat W. Batin 8 and 6.

A. L. Eastman beat W. A. Stewart 3 and 2.

A. A. Lopes 75-9=66, and W. C. Simpson 81-12=69, qualified for the Captain's Cup competition, during the past week-end. There were eleven entries.

The November Medal Pool was won by T. B. Low with a score of 77-12=65. There were seven entries.



H.K.C.C. TEAMS TO MEET RECREIO

The following matches will represent Hong Kong Cricket Club against Club de Recreio in friendly cricket matches on Saturday:

1st. XI (at home).—H. Owen Hughes, F. H. Stokes, L. D. Kilbee, J. Ilsey, J. H. Fox, A. C. Beck, T. A. Pearce, C. D. N. Walker, L. T. Ride, M. F. L. Haymes and P. H. Scoones.

2nd. XI (away).—R. S. W. Paterson, N. P. Fox, V. C. Bond, D. S. Robb, C. W. E. Bishop, G. S. Lovett, D. S. Blake, R. M. M. King, D. O. Parsons, S. J. Cooke and L. A. R. Duncan.

EWO BOWLING LEAGUE

Scoreless Wonders Reach Final

Scoreless Wonders beat Rollers by 456 in the semi-final of the Ewo Indoor Bowling League last night.

Scores:

SCORELESS WONDERS

D. Molthen	177	145	184	506
R. Venezia	155	188	143	486
E. Hearther	164	157	160	481
S. Church	183	156	121	419
Total				1,883

ROLLERS

S. A. Tremlett	181	144	142	417
O. Guttinger	124	137	129	390
A. H. Hutchinson	88	118	121	327
E. A. Searle	106	89	98	293
Total				1,427

EUROPEAN "Y" AND KUMAONS SHARE SPOILS

McLellan And Holmes In Limelight

A very fast and exciting hockey match was witnessed on the Y.M.C.A. ground, at King's Park, yesterday, when a strong Kumaon Rifles team held a "Y" eleven to a draw, sharing four goals after being led at the interval by the odd goal in three.

Outstanding among the "Y" players was D. McLellan, in the centre-half berth, his reverse stick clearances often saving the situation, while L. Starbuck, at right-back, and A. F. Austen, at left-half, also rendered yeoman service.

W. H. Colledge, at centre-forward, played a dashing game until he was unfortunately forced to leave the field midway through the second half, when he put his knee out. He scored both the home team's goals as a result of splendid backing up.

SPARKLING DISPLAY

Lt. Holmes, leading the Kumaons, gave a sparkling display and was unfortunate not to have scored on several occasions, his unselfishness and fine distribution of the ball being one of the outstanding features of the game.

The Kumaons were in splendid fettle, but took some time to settle down. They were best seen in the second half when their halves intercepted everything which came their way and, playing well up the field, kept the "Y" on the defence for the major portion of the second half.

EUROPEAN "Y" TO MEET RECREIO IN TENNIS MATCH

European Y.M.C.A. will entertain teams from Club de Recreio in a friendly tennis match next Saturday, on the Y.M.C.A. courts, when Men's Doubles and Mixed Doubles matches will be held.

Y.M.C.A. will be represented by the following:

MIXED DOUBLES

Mills and Mrs. Curtis.
Curtis and Mrs. Long.
Long and Mrs. Peckham.

MEN'S DOUBLES

Gemmell and Lomax.
Brown and Peckham.
Leib and Westlake.

The match will commence at 2 p.m.

CLUB "A" XV MEET COMBINED SMALL UNITS AT RUGBY

There will be a Rugby game on the Club ground, Happy Valley, to-day, when Club "A" XV will play a side from the Army Small Units.

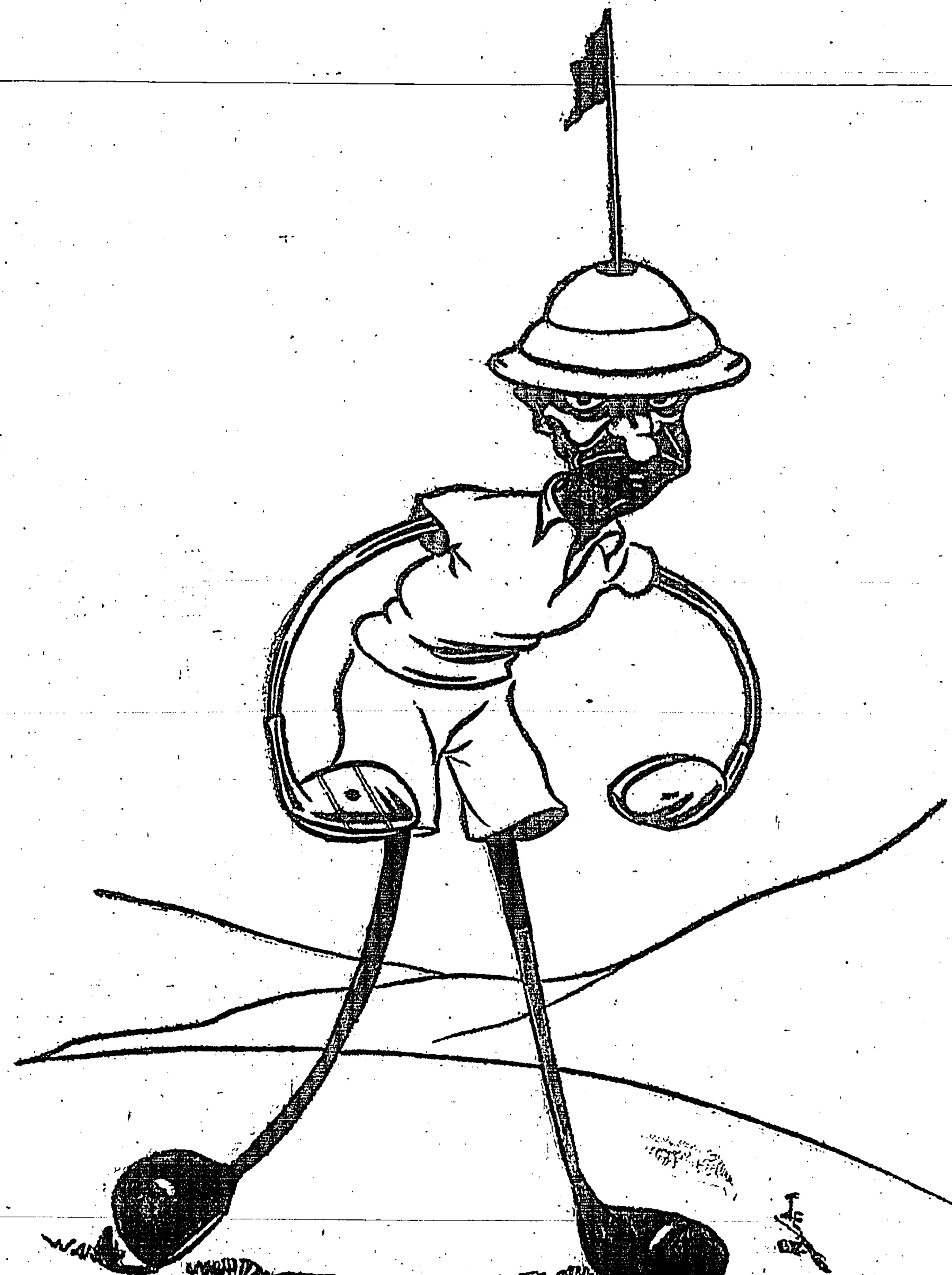
The match will commence at 4:45 p.m. sharp.

The Club side has been selected as follows:

J. R. Brown, H. van Leeuwen, F. M. Thompson, D. B. Nelson, K. A. Munro, J. Hutchinson, R. Rutherford, J. C. Menhinick, J. S. Dunnett (Captain), W. E. Peers, W. A. Johnson, T. Swan, H. W. E. Heath, W. Stoker and G. L. Eastgate.

BISHOP C.B.R. SARGENT LEAVES

Rt. Rev. C. B. R. Sargent, former Headmaster of the Diocesan Boys' School, and well-known K.C.C. cricketer, left yesterday by the Seistan for Foochow, where he will take up his appointment as Assistant Bishop in the Diocese of Fukien.



The Fanlingerer

A bad-tempered, noisy animal that ambles about in the open country growling and grunting.

Can always be found when it is raining in the half-way house, generally hiding behind a glass of H.B. BEER.

International Rugby Surprise

OUR LONDON AIR MAIL SPORTS NEWS

D. I. Burnett Retains Army Squash Title

D. I. Burnett (R.E.), the holder, beat P. B. Craig (Somerset Light Infantry) in the final of the Army Squash Rackets championship, at the Army and Navy Club, by three games to one, 9-7, 7-9, 9-1, 9-0. It was Burnett's third victory in the event and the first appearance of Craig in the final.

Play was uneven throughout, for although Burnett won easily enough in the end it was some time before he was playing with his usual certainty, and his cross-court driving was not always of good length. Craig was much better armed in strokes, but he made far too many mistakes, and when attempting the drop shot it was generally a question of an almost perfect stroke or one which hit the very bottom of the tin. Certainty in return is worth any number of good strokes in squash.

* * * Corinthians Beaten

In a keenly contested soccer game at Cambridge the Corinthians were beaten unexpectedly by the University by 4 goals to 2. The Cambridge team, which included the new Blues, Lowcock and Rowe, gave an impressive display, particularly at half-back and forward.

After Lee, the Corinthians' centre, had twice shot over the bar, Woolcock failed to clear properly a long shot from Rowe, and Lees, obtaining possession, scored for Cambridge, while Goodyear added a second goal shortly before the interval.

Early in the second half, following a freekick, Entwistle scored for the Corinthians, but Cambridge then caused the Corinthians' defence some anxiety, Lees eventually scoring, and Hollins headed in the fourth goal. Near the finish a shot from Thornton bounded off Hodges to give the losers their second goal.

* * * Shays' Win

R. A. Shays retained the men's singles cup at the Torquay Covered Courts tournament when he beat M. D. Deloford by 6-3, 8-6 in a disappointing final. Shays volleyed for most of the time, but Deloford was not good off the ground. In the second set Deloford played better and led 5-2 and 6-5 before Shays went out with a sequence of three games.

Miss R. M. Hardwick was too experienced for Miss N. B. Brown, whom she beat in the women's singles final 6-2, 6-3.

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M'Grory Knocked Out

Johnny M'Grory, of Glasgow, former British feather-weight champion, and contender for the light-weight title, was knocked out in the second round at Swansea by Ronnie James (Swansea), in a twelve rounds contest.

The first round was closely fought, and there was little between the two. After about a minute in the second session, M'Grory went back before a left-hand punch. James followed up quickly with another left, and then floored M'Grory for the full count with a well-timed right.

CRAIG WOOD'S PINE VALLEY RECORD

New Jersey, November 22.—Craig Wood, runner-up for the British Open Golf Championship in 1933, and recent winner of the New Jersey P.G.A. title, established a new record for the Pine Valley course, when he played 72 holes in 286 strikes. Pine Valley, the scene of the last Walker Cup matches in America, is famous as one of the most difficult courses in the world.

WALES AND ENGLAND BOTH CHOOSE L. MANFIELD

London. (By AIR MAIL). Something of a surprise in Rugby football circles was caused when the Welsh Rugby Union announced they had chosen L. Mansfield to take part in their International trial at Newport on December 3.

Only recently the English Rugby Union picked Mansfield to play for England against the Possibles in the International trial at Manchester, also on December 3.

Actually Mansfield is qualified to play for both countries. While his parents are English, he was born in Wales, at Mountain Ash, and educated at Cardiff University. This ticklish problem, as to which country he will assist, is one which only the player himself can now decide.

It is understood that so far he has not replied to the invitation sent out by England, but that does not mean anything, as it is quite possible he has not yet received the official letter dispatched from Twickenham.

CASE OF W. J. A. DAVIES

In Welsh circles Mansfield is regarded as their player. Besides being born at Mountain Ash, he learned the Rugby game at the local county school, and in 1932 he played for the Welsh secondary schools, while in 1934 he captained those schools against Yorkshire.

At Cardiff University he captained his college XV, and he has played club Rugby for Mountain Ash, Penarth, Bridgend, and Neath. Not until two years ago did he appear in English football, when he went to Carnegie College, at Leeds. Since then he has played regularly for Otley. He is a master at Huddersfield College.

Some years ago, when England claimed W. J. A. Davies, they pointed out to Wales that he had played all his football in England. Now Wales are using this argument on behalf of Mansfield, although it was England who chose him first. Wales omitted Mansfield from their first trial on November 5.

Mansfield, who lives in Huddersfield, said last night:—"I have settled the point, and shall play in the Welsh trial, for all my sympathies are with Wales, and I learned all my football there."

THE 1940 OLYMPIC GAMES

Helsinki, November 22.

The Olympic Games to be held here in 1940 will comprise 132 events. This will be three events more than were decided in the 1936 Games in Berlin.

Divided into their various categories, the number of events in each particular branch of sport will be:

Athletics	33
Gymnastics	9
Swimming and water polo	16
Rowing	7
Sailing	4
Canoe racing	9
Wrestling	14
Weight-lifting	5
Boxing	8
Shooting	5
Fencing	7
Riding	6
Cycling	5
Gliding	2
Football	—
Modern pentathlon	—

HOCKEY OMITTED

As compared with the Berlin Games, hand-ball, basket-ball, polo, and hockey have been omitted. New events included in the Helsinki Games are 10,000 metres walk, putting the weight, women; long jump, women; and 200 metres, women.

Two new events are also included in the shooting competitions. They are pistol shooting (three shots at 40 metres) and small bore rifle shooting (three shots at 20 metres).

RODERICK'S CLAIMS TO FIGHT WITH M'AVOY

Ernie Roderick, who is already a contender for the British Welter-Weight Championship, has received an encouraging reply from the British Boxing Board of Control to his application for a fight with Jock M'Avoy (Rochdale) for the latter's middle-weight title.

"The matter is now being dealt with, as the Stewards fully realise Roderick's strong claims," state the Board in a letter to the Liverpool man's manager.

MR. C. F. CHIU THROWN

(By "RAPIER")

Mr. C. F. Chiu, a rapidly improving novice jockey who came into prominence with a win on Piet Hein last Saturday, had the unhappy experience of being thrown this morning at the Valley.

He was giving Yum Sing, an old subscription griffin, a fairly fast gallop, and when nearing the 1½-mile post, the leather stirrup suddenly snapped with the inevitable result that he was thrown.

He appeared stunned for a little while, but returned unassisted to the Jockey Room. The pony jumped clean over the rails, but was caught before any harm befell it.

Clyde Yachting Conference

Prize Controversy

(By AIR MAIL)

London, November 21.

Mr. John G. Stephen's scheme for the abolition of money prizes in yacht races on the Clyde was considered at a delegate meeting of the Clyde Yacht Clubs' Conference, held yesterday in the Cadore Restaurant, Glasgow. Mr. John M. Robertson, the chairman, presided, and twenty-eight delegates attended.

In an official statement at the close Mr. J. H. Maurice Clark, hon. secretary said that Mr. Stephen's proposals, as a whole did not appear to find favour. Almost every one present, however, supported some part of the scheme.

AN OBJECTION

An objection which seemed to carry weight was that the absence of prizes might discourage boats from going far afield to race such as from Hunter's Quay or the Gareloch to Millport to Largs, when they could have private sweepstakes nearer home. While no agreement was reached on the scheme as a whole, there was a distinct expression of opinion from all sides that the actual value of the prizes should be reduced.

It was finally remitted to the Conference Committee to produce a new scale of prize values for the different classes, and submit it to the delegates at a future meeting.

In winning the Irish Amateur Golf title, James Bruen, junr., of Cork, equalled the 1911 feat of Lionel Munn by winning the Native and Open amateur championships of Ireland in the same year. In addition he had the best score in the Walker Cup trials and led the British team against America. At the age of 18 he is Britain's best amateur.

Cambridge Defeat Oxford

London, To-day.

The Inter-Varsity Rugby classic held before a large crowd at Twickenham yesterday, resulted in an unexpected win for Cambridge University over Oxford by a goal and a penalty goal (8 points), to two penalty goals (6 points).

The Light Blues owed their victory to a splendid defence, especially in the first half, when Oxford were attacking strongly and enjoying more of the play.

The Oxford pack was expected to crush their opponents, but Cambridge forwards were just as lively in the loose and, during the last quarter-of-an-hour, heeled the ball nearly every time.

Both teams tackled magnificently, open play being a feature of the game.—Reuter.

SAM SNEAD'S RECORD GOLF Winnings

New York.

Sam Snead, long-driving Ryder Cup player, is the leading United States golf professional of the year. His winnings, amounting to \$17,572 (£3514), amount to a record for P.G.A. tournaments.

Gene Sarazen holds the honour of having won the biggest single purse, \$10,000 (£2000), in the Agua Caliente Open.

The second leading money winner from January 1 to November 7, 1938, is John Revolta, of Illinois, with \$7358 (£1470), and third place is taken by Harry Cooper, the British-born player, with \$6025 (£1005).—Press Association.

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12-12.20 p.m.—Relay of a Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 p.m.—Turner Layton (Vocal & Piano) and Duke Ellington & His Orchestra.

Three Little Words—Fox-Trot; Ring Dem Bells—Fox-Trot.... Duke Ellington & His Orchestra with vocal refrain.

Don't Play With Fire (Grey & Ala); Carelessly (Kenny & Ellis)

Turner Layton, Black And Tan Fantasy—Slow Fox-Trot.... Duke Ellington & His Orchestra.

He's An Angel (M. Hodges); Moon Over Miami (Leslie & Burke)....

Turner Layton, Truckin'—Fox-Trot (from 'Cotton Club Parade'); Cotton—Fox-Trot (from 'Cotton Club Parade').... Duke Ellington & His Orchestra with vocal chorus.

1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m.—Primo Scala's Accordeon Band.

Hill-Billy Medley. Intro: The Last Round Up; Will the Angels play their Harps for me; Home on the Range; Wagon Wheels; Ole Faithful; Roll Along, Covered Wagon; The Highland Swing (Grant-Johnston); When They Played The Polka (Holzer-Andre).

Six Dance 'Hits'. Intro: Alone; Poor Little Angeline; Goody Goody; The Touch of Your Lips; Three Minutes of Heaven; In a Little Rendezvous in Honolulu. My Little Buckaroo (from 'Strange Laws'); Maracay (Gilbert-Nicholls).... with vocal chorus.

Three Dance 'Hits'. Intro: Lovely Lady; The Glory of Love; Saddle Your Blues to a Wild Mustang.... with vocal chorus.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press,

Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 p.m.—New Variety.

Military Band—Hessian Infantry March (atr. Prof. Hackenberger).... Massed Military Bands, Vocal—Oui Je Suis De Paris Oberfeld).... Mistinguett with Orch. Dance Orch.—Bull It In C—Slow Fox-Trot.... The New Lyres with bass solo by George Senior.

Guitar—Feeling My Way.... Eddie Lang (Guitar) with Guitar accomp. by Carl Kress. Vocal—Tchi! Tchi!.... Tino Rossi with Orchestra.

Dance Orch.—I Hadn't Anyone Till You—Fox-Trot; Yes, There Ain't No Moonlight—Fox-Trot.... Tommy Tucker & His Orchestra with vocal refrain.

Vocal—Music, Maestro, Please (from 'These Foolish Things'); A-Tisket, A-Tasket (Feldman).... Frances Day with Orchestra.

Military Bands—March Of The King's Men (Plater); Song Of The Marines (Mackenzie).... Grand Massed Brass Bands cond. by C. A. Anderson.

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

6 p.m.—Beethoven—Quartet in C Sharp Minor, Op. 131. Played by the Busch Quartet.

6.43 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.45 p.m.—London Relay—The Godsend by Earle Grey. Characters: Martha Skinner; Clara King; Ted Seaton; A Man; Sergeant Gillespie. Scene: A lonely cottage in the country. Production by Howard Rose.

7.10 p.m.—A French Programme with Lys Gauty, Damia, Albert Prejean and Orchestras.

C'est La Guinguette (Francois).... Mme. Damia (Vocal) accomp. by the Afonsky Choir.

Joli-Tambour (Old French Song); Les Filles De Gennenvilliers (Old French Song).... Sarthe with Choir and Orchestra.

Bolero (Ravel); Speakeasy—Cuban Dance.... Odeon Theatre Orchestra cond. by G. Walter.

J'Attends Un Navire (Deval).... Lys Gauty with Walberg & His Orch. A Song Selection.... Lys Gauty with Orch. accomp.

De Picpus Au Palais D'Angkor—Fox-Trot Intermezzo; Serenade—Valse Espagnole (Metra).... Orchestre Ruby Goldstein.

Pour Qui Tant De Folies (Kaper); Signorina (Kaper).... Albert Prejean with Orchestra cond. by Pierre Chagnon.

La Fille Aux Natalets (Reale); Tu Ne Sais Pas Aimer, Waltz (Zoka) Damia with Orchestra cond. by Pierre Chagnon.

The Grand Duchess—Galop (Offenbach).... Orchestre Raymonde cond. by G. Walter.

8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m.—Studio—Trio (Edouard La-lo) played by Prue Lewis (Violin) Ettore Pellegatti ('Cello) and Lindsay A. Lafford (Piano).

8.35 p.m.—Songs by Beniamino Gigli (Tenor).

Forbidden Music (Gastaldon). If My Mother Only Knew (Nuttie). with Orchestra.

8.45 p.m.—London Relay—'Empire Exchange'. Points of view by travellers from the Dominions and Colonies.

9 p.m.—Selections from "Chu Chin Chow", "The Lilac Domino", "The Chocolate Soldier" & others.

"Lilac Time"—Selection (Schubert, arr. Clutsam).... The New Mayfair Orchestra.

"Miss Hook Of Holland"—Vocal Gems (Rubens).... Light Opera Company.

"Chu Chin Chow"—Selection (Norton).... The London Palladium Orchestra cond. by Richard Green.

"The Chocolate Soldier"—Vocal Gems (Straus).... The Columbia Light Opera Company with Orchestra.

9.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

9.50 p.m.—A Programme of Latest Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—When They Played The Polka; A Gipsy Told Me (film 'Happy Landing').... Horace Heidt & His Alemitre Brigadiers with vocal chorus.

Tangos—Mi Musa Campera; Madre-cita De Pompeya.... Orquesta Tipica Francisco Caharo.

Fox-Trots—What Goes On Here In My Heart (film 'Give me a Sailor'); A Little Kiss At Twilight (film 'Give me a Sailor').... Dick Jurgens & His Orchestra with vocal refrain.

Slow Fox-Trots—The Red Maple Leaves; There's Rain In My Eyes.... Mantovani & His Orchestra with vocal chorus.

Tango—Jalousie.... Xavier Cugat & His Hotel Waldorf-Astoria Orchestra.

Tango—Tu Sais.... Henry King & His Hotel Pierre Orchestra.

Slow Fox-Trot—Allah's Holiday (Friml).... The Six Swingers directed by Scott Wood.

10.25 p.m.—London Relay—'In Town To-night'. Introducing unusual stories from every walk of life, flashes from the news of the week, and 'Standing on the Corner' (interviews with the man in the street). Production by C. F. Meehan.

11 p.m.—Close down.



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second, it illustrates one of those rare hands where the defensive players actually manage to make more tricks than they would if they played the hand themselves.

East, Dealer
East-West vulnerable

♦ A 10 8
♦ 6 4
♦ 3 7 2
♦ 2
♦ 9 7 6 3
♦ K 9 7 5
♦ Q J 10
♦ 6 5
♦ J 8 8

♥ 3 5 4
♥ J 10 7 4 3
♥ Q 10 6 4

♦ A 9 2
♦ 8 7 6 5
♦ K 9 7 6 3
♦ Q J 10
♦ 6 5
♦ J 8 8

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W E S

The bidding:

East South West North
2♦ 2♦ Dbl. Pass
Pass Pass

If left to themselves, we cannot say what East and West would have done except that they might well have gotten to a Slam and gone down. As it was, they managed to make twelve tricks against the two-spade contract, thereby inflicting

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a 1,300-point penalty. The complete play as follows:

West opened the deuce of diamonds. East won with the Queen and laid down the King, West discarding a low heart. East now played the Ace of diamonds and Declarer ruffed with the nine of trumps, West over-ruffing with the ten. (It will be noted that East did not bother to show his Ace-Kings in hearts and clubs since he did not really care which side suit his partner played). West now led the nine of hearts. East won with the King, cashed the Ace and played a small heart, West ruffing with the four of trumps. Now West led the three of clubs. East cashed the Ace and King and led a fourth diamond.

At this point if South had thrown away his remaining club, he would have been able to make two tricks. However, he trumped with the seven-spot. West over-ruffed with the eight and led a small club. East ruffed with the deuce and played another diamond. Declarer ruffed with the Jack. West over-trumped with the Ace and led his remaining club. East put on the Queen of trumps and Declarer the King for his only trick, as now West's six-spot of spades was high and won the last trick!

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J. T. BAGRAM,
Hon. Secretary.
Hong Kong, 6th December, 1938.

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LARGE-SCALE VLADIVOSTOK PURGE

Shanghai, To-day.

A large-scale purge in the Soviet Russian fleets stationed at Vladivostok and in the Amur River flotilla in Nogaiwo Sovjetzki harbour has recently been carried out according to reports received here yesterday.

The purge was directed according to Soviet accounts against the "enemies of the people."

It is believed here that the action was undertaken in connection with the recent purge in the Russian youth movement since numerous members of that movement have been arrested in the Far East. — Trans-Ocean.

ESCORTS DOWN RIVER FOR FOREIGN WARSHIPS

Shanghai, To-day.

Escorted by three Japanese warships the U.S.S. Luzon and the French sloop "Admiral Charner" sailed from Kiukiang at 7.30 yesterday morning and arrived at An-king whence they sailed for Wuhu, where they are due this morning. They will arrive in Nanking this evening.

After a night spent in Nanking the vessels will proceed to Chin-kiang to-morrow morning.

The U.S.S. Monocacy is still in Kiukiang.—Reuter.

SNATCH THIEVES

Mrs. Auger, of the Kowloon Hospital, has reported that while she was walking in Waterloo Road yesterday, an unknown Chinese male snatched her handbag containing \$53 in money. The handbag was recovered near the scene, miners the money.

Miss Chiu Hon-kit, of No. 546 Nathan Road, reported that her handbag was stolen when she was walking along Nathan Road. The value of the handbag is \$61.

\$100,000 FOR B.F.R.D.C.

It is learned that the sum of \$100,000, which the National Relief Commission has allotted to the South China and Hong Kong Branch of the British Fund for Relief of Distress in China, were remitted from Chungking yesterday and have been handed to Sir Robert Kotewall, vice-chairman of the B.F.R.D.C.



The Ice Hockey season is beginning at Home and the Wembley Lions have already discovered a charming mascot.

JAPANESE IN TSINANFU TO STAY

Shanghai, To-day.

It is stated that the Japanese will soon start building major roads through the centre of Tsinanfu, capital of Shantung province, in accordance with city planning programme, calling for extension of the city limits covering an area over thirty kilometres east and west as well as twenty-five kilometres north and south.

Zones for commercial factory and residential districts are also being laid out, with a view to accommodate a population of one million within the next thirty years.

This shows clearly that the Japanese intend to remain in control of this region or at least administer it through a controlled regime for a considerable time. — Trans-Ocean.

ARAB COMMITTEE DECISION

Cairo, To-day.

Members of the Arab High Committee from Syria, Lebanon and Egypt have had exhaustive discussions in the last few days about a possible basis of the discussion at the Palestine conference in London.

After a prolonged exchange of opinions the Committee decided to reject the plan of economic autonomy for the Jewish minority by the Iraq Foreign Minister Tefik Suaida.

The granting of economic autonomy to the Jews of Palestine the Arab High Committee fears, would be a step further towards future partition and subdivision of the country. — Trans-Ocean.

BALFOUR HOME FOR REFUGEES

Edinburgh, To-day.

The home of Lord Balfour, who in his capacity as Foreign Minister proposed and supported the idea of Palestine as National Home of the Jews in the famous Balfour Declaration, has now been turned over to Jewish refugees as a temporary home by its heirs.

It is declared that following slight interior alterations quarters will be provided for 200 Jewish children refugees from Germany. — Trans-Ocean.

A Chinese woman, Yeung, Yung, was admitted to the Queen Mary Hospital with burns received when she upset a spirit lamp.

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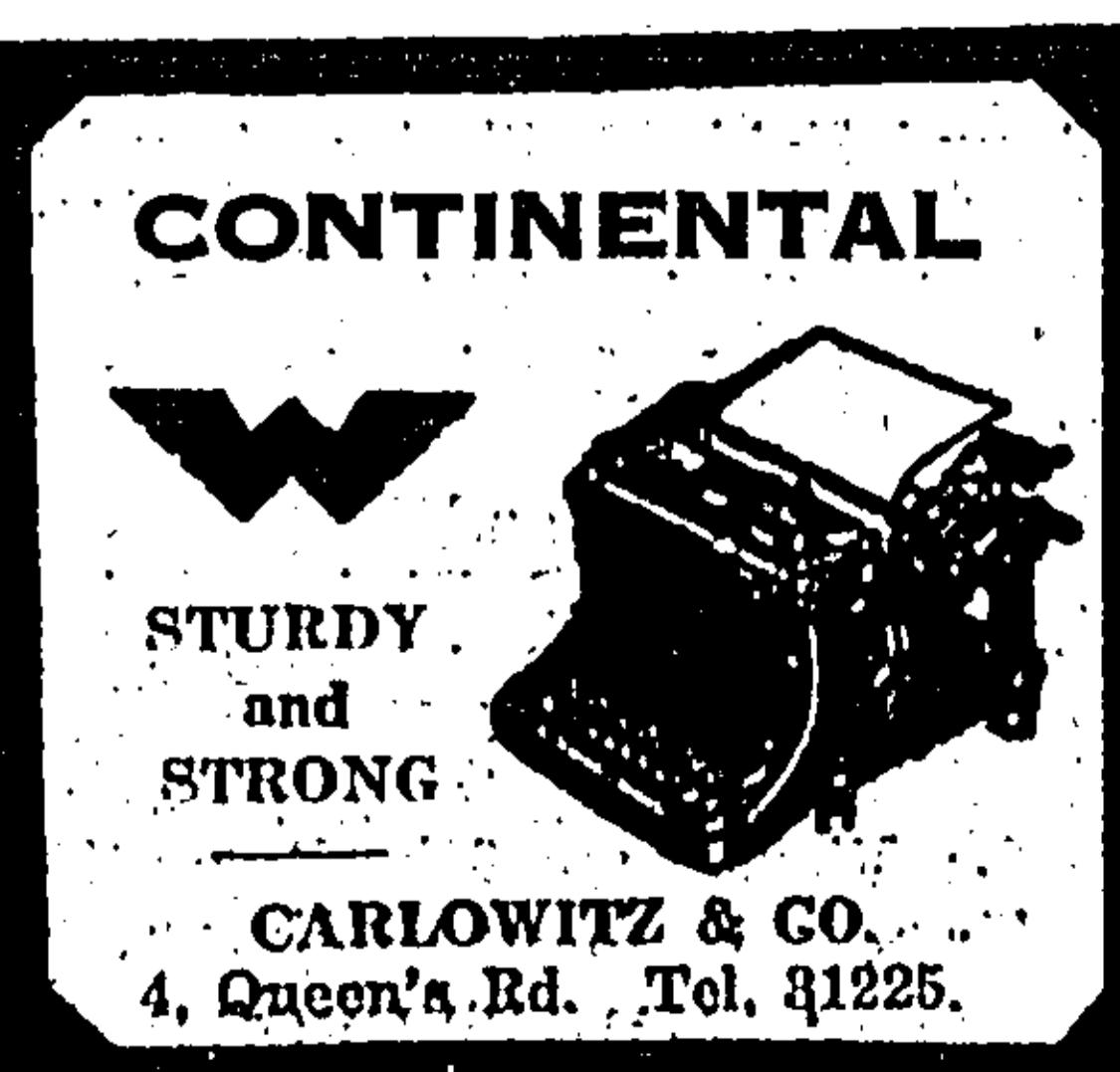
FORGED CHEQUE CHARGE

Three Chinese, Tsang Yik-tak, aged 18, Chan Tak-fun, aged 48, both unemployed, and Tsang Chuen, aged 44, contractor's foreman, were charged before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning, with demanding the sum of \$1,600 from the Shanghai Commercial and Saving Bank Ltd., on Monday, upon a forged bearer cheque.

They were remanded for 72 hours. Sub Inspector W. Ritchie is in charge of the case.

A coolie, Yuen Chiu-ping, alias Mong Ngau-tin, aged 19, was remanded for three days by Mr. E. Hinsworth this morning at Kowloon when charged with possession of arms, a dagger, at Taku Street on Monday.

Inspector A. E. Carey is in charge of the case.



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